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Sat 1330 WRMI 7385

Sat 1700 WWCR3 12160 [OR 1730]

Sat 2230 WRMI 9955

Sun 0330 WWCR3 5070

Sun 0730 WWCR1 3215

Sun 0900 WRMI 9955

Mon 0400 WBC0 9330-CLSB

Mon 0515 WBCQ 7415 [time varies 0500/0520]

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** AUSTRALIA. 5049.93, ARDS, Dec 21 1707-1724, 25342, English, Talk, ID at 1714 (Kouji Hashimoto, Japan Premium via DXLD)

** AUSTRALIA. Very unusual conditions on Dec 29 at 1448, as RA was

very weak on 9590, versus enhanced signal from Japan on 9595; also weaker than normal but a bit better on 7240 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** BAHAMAS. No other signal from the Caribbean has the impact of ZNS Network, Radio Bahamas 1540. Is a regular every night with an interesting mix of Xmas Soul style carols and Classic Soul. Sometimes is practically inbooming. To my surprise was still there, 12/29, at 1230, more than hour and a half after my local sunset (Ra'l Saavedra, Costa Rica, Dec 29, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

You must mean sunrise, but is it really at 1100 UT?? Or did you mean sunset but some other UT? (gh, DXLD)

** BAHRAIN. 6010.1, R. Bahrain heard at new time Dec 28 via DX Tuner Alma DX (AR-7030 with Super-KAZ array in So. Sweden) from 0055 tune to 0135 when Teheran QRM'd (but not nearly as bad as at 1925 UT - Teheran has a different beam at this hour and Bahrain can still be heard mixing, albeit weaker) with non-stop U.S. pop vocals from what sounded like the same female vocalist (Whitney Houston?).

After 0100 QRM'd by Teheran's carrier but still quite readable at S3 level in USB mode. Retuned at 0233 and noted weaker under Teheran whose transmission stayed on until 0242, but after 0242 a nice S3-S4 signal with only moderate to weak QRM from adjacent channel stations. Recorded 0055 to 0135 and from 0243 to 0330, when still going strong. Wasn't sure about ID until 0317.5 when heard the following by man in English "Parade of Hits on 96.5 FM" (96.5 FM is Bahrain's English program channel).

At 0330 an English news bulletin (Iraq, West Bank, W. Sudan, etc.) by man to 0336.5 (weather forecast at 0335.5-0336). This news is longer than the 1900 UT bulletin. Back into pop music at 0336.5. 0243 logged in AM mode with a better sounding signal than the 0055 USB log. It appears that Bahrain may now be on this channel 24 hours in English similar to the 9745 24 h programs in Arabic?? This transmission tentatively heard at home QTH, but too weak to confirm this evening (Bruce Churchill, CA, DXplorer Dec 28 via BCDX via DXLD)

** BERMUDA. Bermuda Hams have also come on board for the Fessenden anniversary with his old call sign. VP9F is now active. VP9F/MT called CG9WGS on 14253 kHz on Christmas Day at 1653 UT; the operator at this time was VP9MT, Dennis (Wade Smith, VE9WGS, Dec 28, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST) See also CANADA

** BIAFRA [non]. V. of Biafra International, via South Africa, 7380, 2105-2159* Dec 23, tune-in to religious music and opening ID announcements. Prayer and English news about corruption in Nigeria.

- English religious program and prayer concerning liberty and freedom in Biafra. Some vernacular talk. Good. Saturday only (Brian Alexander, Mechanicsburg PA, DX LISTENING DIGEST)
- ** BOLIVIA. R. Pio Doce, Siglo Veinte, 5952.47, 0956-1005+ Dec 21, Spanish talk, 0958, 1000 & 1001 several ``Pio Doce`` jingles. Surprisingly strong signal; very good but must use ECSS-USB to avoid WYFR on 5950.
- R. Yura, Yura, 4716.76, 0955-1010+ Dec 23, CP music, Spanish announcements, ID. Weak in noise (Brian Alexander, Mechanicsburg PA, DX LISTENING DIGEST)
- ** BRAZIL. No other time like Xmas season for Brazilians around here, most of them listenable after 2300, with the exception of R. Nal de Amazonia, which is a regular on 11780.
- 4915, R. CBN Anhanguera, is the queen before sunset.
- 9645, R. Bandeirantes SP is the least favored here, and I'd guess everywhere: have to dance with so many wolves, and its turn is after 0400.
- 11815, R. Brasil Central, barely listenable after 2330 when Veritas Asia ends its inbooming on 11820.
- 11915, R. Ga'cha, Porto Alegre, with heavy splatter from HCJB 11920 after 2300.
- 11925, R. Bandeirantes, a little bit better than 31m but has to deal with heavy splatter from Radio Martl 11930 until 2400.
- (Ra'l Saavedra, Costa Rica, Dec 29, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)
- ** BULGARIA. Special Event Call Sign LZ50DX. Our DX Editor Dimiter, LZ1AF will be using the special event call sign LZ0DX January1 through December 31, 2007 to mark the 50th anniversary of our DX Program which started on November 17, 1957. He will be active on all HF bands mostly on CW. Special QSL cards will be issued and dealt with via the QSL bureau (Rumen Pankov, R. Bulgaria DX Dec 29 via John Norfolk, dxldyg via DXLD)
- ** BULGARIA. R. Marabu (via IRRS), 5775, 2215-2240+ Dec 23. German talk, some English, 2230 many Radio Marabu IDs. Strong, very good (Brian Alexander, Mechanicsburg PA, DX LISTENING DIGEST)
- ** CANADA. From DXLD 6-190 "I'm operating on the amateur radio bands as CG9WGS commemorating Fessenden's first radio broadcast (Wade Smith, VE9WGS New Brunswick, 1937 UT Dec 24, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST) Until when, or only on Dec 24? WTFK? (gh)"
- I'll be using the special prefix until the end of January. I'll be on the air for the Hello Event and Canada Winter Contest this weekend.

Because of work, I may not get on until around 0200 UTC Dec 30. I usually operate around 3780-3790 kHz evenings, 14240-14270 kHz during the day. But this Saturday I'll probably also be operating in the lower portion of the bands for the Canada Winter Contest. I may also try to find a spot though near the other Hello Event stations. Operation on other bands is also likely (Wade Smith, VE9WGS, Dec 28, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST) see also BERMUDA; U S A KAIJ

** CANADA. I wonder if anyone other than myself has noticed that the 9755 frequency of Radio Canada International at 0000 UT to the USA has been mostly inaudible for many weeks. This is a major disappointment for me, as RCI has for many years been a powerhouse in this area. The only RCI broadcasts I can listen to now are the morning broadcasts on weekends (I work days the rest of the week). I've written to RCI several times complaining about the situation. I'm beginning to suspect that most international broadcasters are going to drop shortwave completely in the future, in favor of internet and satellite broadcasts. It's beginning to look like my shortwave receivers will eventually become just a collection of antiques and nothing more. I know that propagation is poor right now. It's sad, though, that the day has come when Radio Havana Cuba can put out a good signal every night, while RCI 'whistles in the dark'. But only just barely (Gary Roper, Swannanoa, NC USA, Jan ODXA Listening In via DXLD)

** CANADA. IBOC: See also DIGITAL BROADCASTING below

** CHINA [non]. Re 6-191, CRI at 21 on 6125, site? Best to monitor what happens around 2100 and 2200 (Glenn Hauser, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

An additional puzzle: Not 7175 kHz? HFCC shows CRI Moscow relay in English on 7170 kHz instead.

7170 2200-2300 18,27,28N MSK 250 275 0 156 291006 250307 D RUS CRI GFC

Maybe Moscow replaced 7170/7175 by 6125 kHz frequency ?

I've to check 6125/7170/7175 for CRI English tomorrow at 2200 UT.

Here is the CRI schedule at this hour, taken from NDXC:

2200-2257 Chinese 9675bei, 9470kun, 9460kun, 7325kun, 7265kun, 7215kun, 7190xia, 6140kun

English 5915bei, 7175msk <<<<

Esperanto 9860kas, 7315kas
Japanese 7110jin, 5985xia
Korean 7210xia, 1323, 1017
Portuguese 9685kas, 9410kas

Spanish 13700sac, 9640kas, 9490bei, 7335szg, 7250uru, 7210cer, 6175cer

Usually CRI via RUS relays are on similar poor rough audio quality. Compare it tomorrow with Moscow relay on 7175 kHz at very same time 2200-2257 UT. 73 wb (Wolfgang B schel, Germany, Dec 28, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

6125 Tonight noted a tremendous signal again, CRI English also at 2200-2257 UT time slot portion. Same distorted audio as previous days.

Tonight at 22-23 UT we had like daylight conditions in 49 mb on very near stations like Berlin Britz, Sweden, Cerrik-ALB, Litomysl, all S=9+20-30 dB. Also CRI Xian Japanese on 5985 kHz was above S=9+10 dB too!

Another remark:

6125 2200-2300 27,28W NOB 250 38 SPANISH E REE REE seems to be wrong, the REE website shows only 6125 at Sat/Sun only, with an ENGLISH transmission instead. So should read instead on HFCC table

6125 2200-2300 27,28W NOB 250 38 1.....7 ENGLISH E REE REE 73 wb (Wolfgang B_sschel, Dec 28, ibid.)

English is on 7170 from Moscow (not 7175) (Jean-Michel Aubier, France, dxldyg via DXLD)

Will try to remember the matter later, when 7275 is on, but so far the modulation of REE transmissions via Noblejas was always excellent when I heard them. And on 6125 it indeed sounded like a well-maintained AM transmission of a terrible source, I would also say with Noblejas-like audio processing as far as one can tell when the source is distorted trash. It is possible that not only the Noblejas and, as Wolfgang said, Taldom/Samara relays, but perhaps also the Issoudun outlets of CRI sound that bad now. Will try to not forget about this either (Kai Ludwig, Germany, ibid.)

> Maybe Moscow replaced 7170/7175 by 6125 kHz frequency ?

I don't think so. Russian sites usually switch on the carrier much earlier than two minutes before the program is to start. Furthermore the 6125 transmission I heard last night also appeared to have the Noblejas-like audio processing (high-density multiband compression). Of course this is hard to tell when the source is just distorted trash, but I think it would have sounded differently via a Russian transmitter, "dry" with just a broadband limiter/compressor in the chain.

Will also try to recheck tonight, not only 6125 but also 7170 for the scheduled Taldom relay (at least Taldom was reported as actual site years ago, when already this very frequency was in use if I recall correct), specifically if it's still there in //. All the best, (Kai Ludwig, ibid.)

SPAIN/RUSSIA. 6125 Noblejas - yes, CRI English service at 2100-2257 UT is relayed via Noblejas Spain relay site. Totally overmodulated signal from a distorted transponder audio channel. Signal a fifth second ahead of all other CRI En channels, like Cerrik-ALB 5960, 7285; Kashi-CHN 7190, 9600 kHz.

Listen to the attached MP3 file. From about 2057:40 UT the usual REE interval signal noted, for about 2 min 15 sec, then some three time pips from Madrid bc house followed, then switched over to the totally distorted overmodulated CRI signal, after 2 min 20 secs at 2100 UT.

7215 Samara - a similar distorted CRI signal from the ?very same transponder satellite?, noted at around 2030 UT, in French language of course. Samara starts with open carrier just after 2000 UT and continues open carrier till 2024:45 UT, when local Samara pips procedure starts, 6 seconds pip, 6 seconds pause for about 2 minutes. 2030 UT CRI starts on very overmodulated level, see enclosed MP3 file attachment. French program is ahead, - of 7200 Urumchi-CHN 2 sec behind, of 7350 Kashi-CHN site - 1/5th second behind (Wolfgang B schel, Dec 29, ibid.)

7170 kHz - Also CRI via Moscow [Taldom] site in English at 2200 UT uses that distorted satellite transponder. But receiver equipment seems different, let's say a little bit better or wider dish, but STILL far too small audio filter like phone line limit (B_sschel, ibid.)

It's probably another circuit of the same system, hence a little bit less distortion. But it could also be that it's just less obvious there because not so much audio processing than at Noblejas is in use. I think it was Robert Orban, the inventor of the Optimod product line, himself who put it frankly: "Garbage in, more garbage out."

And yes, the audio bandwidth is obviously limited to phone standards, like 300...3400 Hz. This is apparently the cheapest kind of audio circuit one could get in the old days. Rather common were also 7 kHz bandwidth for AM transmission (I heard somewhere that the old audio circuits to the Soviet shortwave sites were specified as 50...6300 Hz) and of course 15 kHz for FM transmission and studio connectivity.

Btw, I forgot to note that of course 7275 sounds excellent, just as always.

And please make my note on CRI via Switzerland, gone in 1998, eight years ago, rather than nine. It's still almost a shock to realize that this was in fact eight years ago, almost a decade . . . DXLD not yg

Just checked the situation at 2200:

6125 continued beyond 2200 without any break. 7170 had open carrier and joined the same CRI feed at 2200. Same broken audio, but apparently with less dynamics compression at the transmitter site. So apparently 6125 originates from Noblejas while Taldom is still on 7170.

In both cases the programming is apparently fed through a phone-grade circuit, like it was used in past years to feed TV commentary from a stadium abroad to the home station (only the narration of this station's reporter, while the ambiance audio came in 15 kHz quality with the picture). This is the case with all airtime CRI gets by way of exchange agreements as long as I know them, i.e. at least since the early nineties CRI via Russia, Switzerland (until nine years ago) and France always had phone quality. Just can't say anything about their arrangements with REE because in fact my first check of 6125 was the first time I heard Noblejas relaying CRI at all, and I guess it's indeed the first time that REE provides CRI with a transmission aiming at Europe, alongside the long-established 31 metres outlet to the Americas.

I assume the audio routing is still the same as a decade ago, hence it's ahead of the feeds using current technology (to the new transmitters in China as well as to Albania). And while changing to entirely new studio facilities they goofed it up, loading a way too high level on the circuit now, with the result we're just discussing. Here you can hear how it sounded before it got broken: http://www.radioeins.de/meta/sendungen/apparat/040313_A3.ram

This is a recording of 3985 from Lenk, on 24 Oct 1998. Due to a fault in Switzerland SRI audio got sucked up in the pause between the CRI programs. I think back then I even speculated that this fault occurred intentionally, because in fact this was the last day ever Lenk was on air. The antennas were down just a few days later (if I recall the reports of that time correct), and it took not much longer until the transmitters were ripped out of their underground housing.

Already the next evening 3985 was occupied by Skelton, carrying Merlin Network One. Now this is just history as well, taken aside the pointless practice of VTC to still label transmissions for unID customers as "MNO". Old habits die hard (Kai Ludwig, ibid.)

- ... and also the 2.5 minutes on 6125 kHz sounds excellent, when INTERVAL SIGNAL audio did originate from REE control room, it was a superb quality. The Noblejas transmitter unit is 100% in order. 73 wb (Wolfgang B¸schel, DX LISTENING DIGEST)
- ** COSTA RICA. You can't trust DGS Cahuita transmitters, showing a very erratic performance during this December. 5030 with great signal one night, starting at 0000, and the next one is like a DX station, altho just around the bend in my case, as if they were running low power. 6150 with that sense of low power most of the time. Nothing at all on 7375 after many days. 9725 behaving like low power too and 13750 completely absent (Ra'l Saavedra, Costa Rica, Dec 29, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)
- ** CUBA. RHC Spurs, 5940 and 6300, 0645-0700* Dec 22, English programming. Mixing products of 6060, 6180, 120 kHz separation. 5940 fair to good, 6300 fair (Brian Alexander, Mechanicsburg PA, DX LISTENING DIGEST)
- ** CYPRUS TURKISH NORTHERN. 6150, Radio Bayrak International, aus CYP-Nord am 23.12. ab 0515 bis etwa 0545 UT, zuerst mit an sich guten 0=3 aber "Audio, verzweifelt gesucht!" ;-). ROI auf 6155 kHz stoerte anfangs kaum, was sich nach 0530 UT aenderte. Dann besserer Empfang in AM auf 6149 kHz. In der Folge entschwand Bayrak dann langsam ganz ohne die Hilfe von ROI ;-) Auffallend oftmalige Ansage des Stationsnamens. Programmsprache Englisch (Herbert Meixner, Austria , A-DX Dec 23 via BCDX via DXLD)
- ** CZECH REPUBLIC. NEW BOOK PAYS TRIBUTE TO LATE RADIO PRAGUE BROADCASTER OLGA SZANTOVA

For many people, for many years, Olga Szantova was the voice of Radio Prague. Almost three and a half years after she passed away, a new book has been published in her honour. It is in Slovak, Czech and English and has the Slovak title Nezila som nadarmo, I Didnít Live in Vain. Radio Pragueís former editor-in-chief David Vaughan was a good friend of Olga Szantovaís; at its launch, he explained the thinking behind the new publication.

Read Ian Willoughbyís article on the Radio Prague website (audio also available) http://www.radio.cz/en/article/86653 (December 29th, 2006, 15:09 UTC by Andy, Media Network blog via DXLD)

- ** DOMINICAN REPUBLIC. R. Pueblo?, Santo Domingo, 5009.76, *1102-1115+ Dec 21, TENTATIVE. Abrupt sign-on with Spanish talk, no ID heard. Fair.
- R. Cristal, Santo Domingo, 5009.78, 2235-2350+ Dec 24. 2239 & 2305 IDs. Local music, Spanish talk, Spanish/English Xmas music. Poor in

noise and QRM from presumed Madagascar 5010, on late for Xmas (Brian Alexander, Mechanicsburg PA, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** ECUADOR. R. Chaskis, Otavalo, 4909.22, 1112-1125+ Dec 23, Spanish talk, HC music, ID. Fair (Brian Alexander, Mechanicsburg PA, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** EGYPT. 4680 spurious. The unidentified station in several bulletins from 0200 to 0330 UT on approx. 4680 kHz is subharmonic or mixed signal from the fundamental 7270 kHz of Radio Cairo in English at the same time, Dec 25 (Rumen Pankov, Bulgaria, wwdxc BC-DX Dec 28 via DXLD) Not exactly a sub-harmonic: it's 11950 minus 7270 as previously explained by Anker Petersen. Another version: (gh, DXLD)

The unknown station broadcasting in Arabic and English on 4680 kHz, often reported recently, turned out to be a subharmonic of Radio Cairo. The fundamental frequency is 7270 kHz and the emission in English and Arabic is from 02 to 03.30 hours (Rumen Pankov, R. Bulgaria DX Dec 29 via John Norfolk, dxldyg via DXLD)

** FINLAND. The transmission 2200-2230 on 5970 is widely considered as likely swan song of YLE on shortwave. However, I wouldn't necessarily expect it to be on air one more time on New Year's Eve, because this is already 00:00-00:30 on Jan 1st in Finland. I guess the contract expires at local midnight, i.e. 2200, so perhaps this is the moment when 963 goes off. If so the era of YLE on shortwave could be expected to end at 2100 when 6120 closes down (Kai Ludwig, Germany, Dec 29, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

On Dec. 23 I did run across that Classical Latin broadcast from YLE Radio Finland, around 1355 on 15400 and 13715, so Dec. 30 is indeed the swan song for this interesting short program which has been aired for many years on YLE; tune in at around 1352 for the finale! Sorry that this service didn't even get a mention in the online SW info that gh looked up last month (Joe Hanlon, NJ, 12/29, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Joe, did you really mean Saturdays instead of Sundays? (gh)

As far as I can tell from what I ran across last Saturday, that's the day to catch the Latin transmission; on Sundays when I checked I heard a church service in Finnish in progress at 1255 or so. ñJH (Joe Hanlon, ibid.)

** FRANCE. RTI program feed via Issoudun relay failed today again. 2100- 2200 UT. RFI reserve programs replaced Taiwan again. Auch heute hat die Uebertragung der RTI Programme aus Taiwan nach Paris wieder geklemmt. Es liefen die ueblichen Ersatzprogramme von RFI. Auf 3965 um 2100-2200 UT lief in deutscher Sprache wieder dieser Touristenreport ueber Reiten in Savoyen Frankreich usw. Auf 7315 kHz zur gleichen Zeit in Franzoesisch fuer Afrika lief auch ein RFI franzoes. Ersatzprogramm. Obwohl hier sehr schwierig zu empfangen: 6120 kHz RTI Spanisch ueber Nauen schien die richtige spanischsprachige Programmzufuehrung abzugreifen (Wolfgang B¸schel, Stuttgart, Dec 22, wwdxc BC-DX Dec 29 via DXLD)

** GABON. R. Gabon, 4777, *0459-0540+ Dec 25, sign-on with NA. 0500 ``Radio Gabon`` ID and French talk, IDs. Variety of French pops/ballads, Afro-pop music. Fair-good (Brian Alexander, Mechanicsburg PA, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** GERMANY. B-06 Schedule Deutsche Welle, effective 01 Jan to 24 March 2007 === Note that a number of schedule changes are due to take place from 1 Jan 2007. [different format than in 6-191. NOTE HOW FEW languages remain on SW from DW! --- gh]

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Amharic
  1400-1458 11645ki* 15225tr
Arabic
  0400-0430 6035si 7105wo 12025ki
  0430-0500 6035si 6135wo
  1800-1900 7280wo 11605tr 11925ki
  1900-2000 7280wo 11925ki* 11605tr*
  2000-2100 5905na 6130na 9495si 11890tr 13780ki
  2100-2157 9495si 13780ki
  2100-2200 1350er 5905na 6130na 11890tr
Belorussian
  0500-0530 mo-sa 5945si
Bengali
  0200-0230 7285na 9850tr
  1530-1600 1548tr 7225tr* 9585tr* 11995na*
Chinese
  1030-1150 5900ko 15190kr 17820tr
  1300-1330 5900no 13735kr 15620tr
  2300-2350 5915tr 6225ir 9865dh
Dari
  0830-0900 15145kr* 17710tr
  1330-1400 15620na 17610wo
French
  1000-1200 1188sp
  1200-1300 15245si 15410ki 17800ki 17610wo* 21665na
  1400-1430 1188sp
  1600-1700 9535ki 9810ki* 12035si 15275wo* 17610na
  1700-1800 9535ki* 9735na 13790sk 12035wo* 15275ki*
English
  0000-0100 se+eAS 7265tr 15320pe
  0300-0358 sAS 7330tr 9785tr
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0300-0400 sAS 1548tr 9480sm ?
  0400-0457 wAF 5905na 7225si
  0400-0500 wAF 6180ki 9565na 15445tr
  0500-0530 AF 6180ki 7285wo 9755ki 12045ki 15410dh
  0600-0630 wAF 7240si 7285ra 9565na 12045ki
  0600-1000 EU 6140wo
  0900-1000 eAS 17700tr 21780tr
  1300-1559 EU 6140wo
  1600-1658 sAS 6170tr 9795tr
  1600-1659 sAS 1548tr 11695na
  1900-1930 e+sAF 7245ki 9735na 11690si 12025tr 15275si
  2000-2057 AF 6145ki 9830ki
  2000-2058 c+sAF 15275tr
  2000-2057 c+sAF 9735dh 12025wo
  2100-2200 wAF 7280na 9615tr 11690ki
German
  0000-0200 6075si 6075ra 7120kn 9440tr* 9545si 9655ki 11690ki
  0200-0400 6075na* 6075si 6075ra
  0400-0600 6075si 6075ra 9735wo 13780kn 17800tr
  0600-0700 693mo 1188sp 9565wo 15410ki
  0600-0800 6075si* 6075sk 7210wo 9545na 12025wo* 13780sk
  0700-0800 12045wo
  0800-1000 693mo 1188sp 6075sk 7175na* 9545na 9545wo 13780na 13780sk
            17525tr*
  1000-1200 693mo 5910pe 6040sa 6075sk 7265ir 9545na 11510aa 13780na
            15110tr* 17770wo
  1200-1400 693mo 1188sp 1548tr 6075sk 9545na 13780si* 15610tr 17630na
  1400-1500 693mo 1548tr*
  1400-1600 6075sk 9545na 13780tr* 15275ki* 15335si*
  1600-1800 6075sk 7255ki 9545na 11685na* 12055tr* 13780sk*
  1700-1800 1548tr 6075si
  1800-2000 6075si 6075sk 9545na 11725ki* 11945wo*
  2000-2100 11935tr
  2000-2200 6075si* 6075ra 9545na
  2100-2200 693mo 1188sp 11935ki*
  2200-2300 693mo 1188sp
  2200-2400 5900no 6075si 6075ra 7395aa 9545na 11690ki 11865si*
Hausa
  0630-0700 7240si 9565ra 12045ki
  1300-1400 15410ki* 17800ki 21665na
  1800-1900 9430na 11615si* 11665ki
Hindi
  0130-0200 1548tr 7285na 9785ki 9850tr
  1500-1530 1548tr 7225tr 9585tr 11995na
Indonesian
   1200-1300 9655tr 15620tr* 17820dh
   2200-2300 6000tr* 9720ki 12035ki
Pashto
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0800-0830 15415kn 17710tr
  1400-1430 15620na 17610wo
Persian
  1730-1930 5910kn 5925no
Portuguese
  0530-0600 7285ra 12045ki 15410dh*
  1930-2000 7245ki 9735na 12025tr* 15275si*
Russian
  0100-0200 5925na 15335pe 15620tr*
  0200-0300 5905na 7305na 15335tr
  0300-0400 693mo 5905na 15335tr
  0300-0430 1188sp
  0400-0500 693mo 5945na* 15620ki*
  0500-0600 693mo 1188sp 5910na 7305na 15620ki*
  0600-0630 999gr 5910na 7305na
  0700-0800 693mo 1188sp
  1430-1500 1188sp
  1500-1600 693mo 1188sp 9715wo 11720ki* 13790wo
  1600-1700 693mo 999gr 1188sp 7145wo 9715wo*
  1700-1900 693mo 1188sp 5980wo 7145wo 9715tr
  1900-2000 693mo 999gr 1188sp 5980wo 7145wo 9715tr*
  2000-2100 693mo 1188sp 5980wo 6180wo 7145si*
Swahili
  0300-0400 6180ki 7150na 9565si*
  1000-1100 9875ki 12045ki 15410ki 21780na
  1500-1600 7190ki* 12025ki* 17610wo
Ukrainian
  0530-0600 999gr 5945na 7200si*
Urdu
  0100-0130 7285na 9850tr
  1430-1500 7225tr* 11995na
  1700-1730 9495na 11695tr
* = Transmission on these frequencies will end up to 5 minutes earlier
than the stated time.
Transmitters:
aa = Almaty
                  dh = Dhabayya
                                  er = Erevan
                                                    gr = Grigoriopol
ir = Irkutsk
                  ki = Kigali
                                   kn = Krasnodar
                                                     ko = Komsomolsk
kr = Kranji
                                 na = Nauen
                  mo = Moscow
                                                     no = Novosibirsk
pe = Petropavlovsk ra = Rampisham sa = Sackville
                                                     si = Sines
sk = Skelton
                sm = Samara
                                   sp = St.Petersburg tr = Trincomalee
                  wo = Woofferton
vl = Vladivostok
(various sources; Deutsche Welle website; of re-typed-site
of Alan Roe, WDXC-UK, updated by wb - via wwdxc BC-DX Dec 26 via DXLD)
                                                    RUS DWL GFC
 5900 1027-1150 43,44
                            K/A 250 213
                                                    RUS DWL GFC
 5900 1257-1330 43,44
                            NVS 200 111
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5900 2145-2400 44,45
                            NVS 200 111
                                                    RUS DWL GFC
5905 0200-0359 29E,30,31W
                             NAU 500 75
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                                         RUSSIAN
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5905 0400-0457 36E,37S,46W
                            NAU 500 210 ENGLISH
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                                                        DWL DWL
5905 2000-2200 38E,39,48NW
                            NAU 500 135 ARABIC
                                                        DWL DWL
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5910 0500-0630 29,30
                            NAU 500 45
                                         RUSSIAN
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5910 1000-1200 43-45,49
                             P.K 250 247
                                                    RUS DWL GFC
5910 1727-1930 40
                            ARM 200 132
                                                    RUS DWL GFC
5915 2300-2350 43,44
                            TRM 250 60
                                         CHINESE
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5925 0100-0157 29-32
                            NAU 500 60
                                                        DWL DWL
                                         RUSSIAN
                                                    D
5925 1727-1930 39,40
                            NVS 250 240
                                                    RUS DWL GFC
5945 0400-0500 29S,30S,31SW NAU 500 75
                                         RUSSIAN
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5945 0500-0530 28NE,29W
                            SIN 250 40
                                         BELORUSSIA POR DWL DWL
5945 0530-0557 28NE,29S
                             NAU 500 90
                                                        DWL DWL
                                         UKRAINIAN
                                                    D
5980 1700-2100 19,28NE,29N
                            RMP 500 48
                                         RUSSIAN
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                                                        DWL DWL
6000 2200-2258 54
                             TRM 250 105 INDONESIAN CLN DWL DWL
6035 0400-0430 37-39,47N,48 WOF 300 126 ARABIC
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                                                        DWL DWL
6035 0430-0500 37-39,47N,48 SKN 300 150 ARABIC
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                                                    CAN DWL DWL
6040 1000-1200 8,10E,11,12N SAC 250 212 GERMAN
6075 0200-0357 39,40W
                            NAU 500 120 GERMAN
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                                                        DWL DWL
6075 0400-0755 27,28W
                             SIN 250 40
                                                    POR DWL DWL
                                         GERMAN
6075 0500-0600 18,27,28,37N SKN 250 150 GERMAN
                                                        DWL DWL
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6075 0600-0800 18,27,28,37N SKN 300 110 GERMAN
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6075 0800-1600 27,28
                             SKN 300 110 GERMAN
                                                        DWL DWL
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6075 1600-1800 18,27,28
                             SKN 300 110 GERMAN
                                                        DWL DWL
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6075 1700-1959 28,29
                             SIN 250 30 GERMAN
                                                    POR DWL DWL
6075 1800-2000 18,27,28,37N SKN 300 110 GERMAN
                                                        DWL DWL
                                                    G
6075 2000-0500 18,27,28,37N RMP 500 140 GERMAN
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6075 2000-2159 28,29
                            SIN 250 40
                                                    POR DWL DWL
                                         GERMAN
6075 2200-0400 28,29
                            SIN 250 40
                                         GERMAN
                                                    POR DWL DWL
6130 2000-2200 37,46NW
                            NAU 500 210 ARABIC
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6135 0430-0500 37,38W,46N
                            WOF 300 184 ARABIC
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6140 0600-1000 27,28
                            WOF 300 90
                                         ENGLISH
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                                                        DWL DWL
6140 1300-1600 27,28
                            WOF 300 90
                                                        DWL DWL
                                         ENGLISH
6145 2000-2057 46E,47
                            KIG 250 295 ENGLISH
                                                    RRW DWL DWL
6145 2000-2100 47,48,52,53 KIG 250 210 ENGLISH
                                                    RRW DWL DWL
6170 1600-1658 41E
                             TRM 250 15
                                                    CLN DWL DWL
                                         ENGLISH
6180 0300-0400 52SE,53W,57N KIG 250 210 SWAHILI
                                                    RRW DWL DWL
6180 0400-0500 47SE,48NW,52 KIG 250 0
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                                         ENGLISH
6180 0500-0530 47E,48W,52E KIG 250 0
                                         ENGLISH
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6180 2000-2100 29-31
                             RMP 500 76
                                         RUSSIAN
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6225 2255-2350 43-45
                             DB 500 71
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7105 0400-0430 38,39,47N,48 WOF 300 114 ARABIC
                                                        DWL DWL
7120 2357-0200 40
                            ARM 250 110
                                                    RUS DWL GFC
7145 1600-1700 29-31
                             RMP 500 48
                                         RUSSIAN
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                            WOF 250 82
7145 1700-2000 29-31
                                         RUSSIAN
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7145 2000-2057 29,30,31S
                             SIN 250 45
                                                    POR DWL DWL
                                         RUSSIAN
7175 0800-0957 18,27N,28NW NAU 500 270 GERMAN
                                                        DWL DWL
7190 1500-1557 48SW,52NE,53 KIG 250 0
                                         SWAHILI
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7200 0530-0559 29S
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                                                   POR DWL DWL
                            RMP 500 48
7210 0600-0800 18,28N,29N
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                                        GERMAN
7225 0400-0457 46,47W
                            SIN 250 150 ENGLISH
                                                    POR DWL DWL
7225 1430-1458 40E,41,42
                            TRM 250 345 URDU
                                                   CLN DWL DWL
                            TRM 250 15 DIVERSE
7225 1500-1558 40E,41,42
                                                   CLN DWL DWL
7240 0600-0630 46E,47W
                            SIN 250 180 ENGLISH
                                                    POR DWL DWL
7240 0630-0700 46E,47W
                            SIN 250 150 HAUSA
                                                   POR DWL DWL
7245 1900-1957 52,53
                            KIG 250 210 DIVERSE
                                                    RRW DWL DWL
7255 1600-1800 48,52E,53W
                            KIG 250 180 GERMAN
                                                    RRW DWL DWL
7265 0000-0057 49,54
                            TRM 250 105 ENGLISH
                                                   CLN DWL DWL
7265 0957-1200 44,50
                            IRK 250 152
                                                    RUS DWL GFC
7280 1800-2000 38,39,47N,48 RMP 500 115 ARABIC
                                                       DWL DWL
                            WOF 300 170 ARABIC
7280 1800-2000 37,38,46N
                                                        DWL DWL
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7280 2100-2200 36,37S,46W
                            NAU 500 210 ENGLISH
                                                        DWL DWL
7285 0100-0230 41
                            NAU 500 90
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                                                       DWL DWL
                                        DIVERSE
7285 0500-0530 37,46
                            ASC 250 27
                                                       DWL DWL
                                        ENGLISH
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7305 0200-0257 29SE,30S,31S NAU 500 90
                                        RUSSIAN
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                                                       DWL DWL
7305 0500-0630 19,28NE,29N NAU 500 85
                                        RUSSIAN
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7330 0300-0358 40E,41
                            TRM 250 345 ENGLISH
                                                    CLN DWL DWL
7395 2200-2400 43,44,49,54 A-A 500 141
                                                   KAZ DWL GFC
9430 1800-1900 46E,47W
                            NAU 500 180 HAUSA
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9440 0000-0158 30,31,40E,41 TRM 250 15 GERMAN
                                                   CLN DWL DWL
9495 1700-1730 40E,41NW
                            NAU 500 90
                                        URDU
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9495 2000-2100 37E,38,48N
                            TRM 250 300 ARABIC
                                                    CLN DWL DWL
9495 2100-2157 37E,38,39,48 TRM 250 300 ARABIC
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9535 1600-1757 47,48,52,53W KIG 250 0
                                        FRENCH
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9545 0000-0200 11,12N
                            SIN 250 270 GERMAN
                                                    POR DWL DWL
9545 0600-0755 28SE,29S,39W NAU 500 135 GERMAN
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                            NAU 500 230 GERMAN
9545 0600-2200 27SE,36,37
                                                       DWL DWL
9545 0800-1000 28SE,38N
                            WOF 300 114 GERMAN
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                                                   G
9545 2200-2400 13-16
                            NAU 500 230 GERMAN
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                                                       DWL DWL
9565 0300-0357 52SE,53W,57N SIN 250 140 SWAHILI
                                                    POR DWL DWL
9565 0400-0500 38,48,52,53W NAU 500 155 ENGLISH
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9565 0600-0700 46E
                            RMP 500 160 DIVERSE
                                                       DWL DWL
                                                    G
9585 1500-1558 41
                            TRM 250 345 DIVERSE
                                                   CLN DWL DWL
9615 2100-2200 46,47
                            TRM 250 270 ENGLISH
                                                   CLN DWL DWL
9655 0000-0200 8S,10,11,12N KIG 250 295 GERMAN
                                                    RRW DWL DWL
9655 1200-1300 54
                            TRM 250 120 INDONESIAN CLN DWL DWL
9715 1500-1700 19,20,29N,31 DHA 250 340 RUSSIAN
                                                    UAE DWL DWL
9715 1700-1958 29-31
                            TRM 250 345 RUSSIAN
                                                    CLN DWL DWL
9720 2200-2300 54
                            KIG 250 85
                                        INDONESIAN RRW DWL DWL
9735 0400-0600 38,39W,47,48 WOF 300 128 GERMAN
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                                                       DWL DWL
9735 1700-1800 37E,38W
                            RMP 500 160 FRENCH
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9735 1900-1927 48,52,53
                            NAU 500 150 ENGLISH
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                            NAU 500 165 PORTUGUESE D
9735 1930-2000 52,53
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9735 2000-2100 47,52,57NW
                            DHA 250 230 ENGLISH
                                                   UAE DWL DWL
                            KIG 250 295 ENGLISH
9755 0500-0530 46,47W
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9785 0130-0200 41NE
                            KIG 250 85 HINDI
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9785 0300-0358 41,49W
                            TRM 250 15 ENGLISH
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 9795 1600-1658 40E,41,42
                            TRM 250 345 ENGLISH
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 9800 1500-1557 47SW,52N
                            KIG 250 265 SWAHILI
                                                   RRW DWL DWL
 9810 1600-1657 53E
                            KIG 250 210 FRENCH
                                                   RRW DWL DWL
 9830 2000-2057 47,48,53,57N NAU 500 165 ENGLISH
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 9850 0100-0130 41NE TRM 250 345 URDU
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9850 0130-0200 41
                            TRM 250 345 HINDI
                                                   CLN DWL DWL
 9850 0200-0230 41
                           TRM 250 15
                                        BENGALI
                                                   CLN DWL DWL
9855 0300-0400 52,53W
                          ASC 250 85
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9865 2300-2350 42,43,44W
                          DHA 250 70 CHINESE
                                                   UAE DWL DWL
 9875 1000-1100 52SE,53W
                            KIG 250 265 SWAHILI
                                                    RRW DWL DWL
11510 1000-1200 49,55,59,60 A-A 500 121
                                                   KAZ DWL GFC
11605 1800-1958 37-39,46N,47 TRM 250 300 ARABIC
                                                   CLN DWL DWL
11615 1800-1857 46E,47NW
                            SIN 250 145 HAUSA
                                                   POR DWL DWL
                            KIG 250 30 AMHARIC
11645 1400-1457 48W
                                                   RRW DWL DWL
11665 1800-1900 46E,47W
                            KIG 250 295 HAUSA
                                                   RRW DWL DWL
11685 1600-1757 46E,47,52,53 NAU 500 160 GERMAN
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11690 1900-1930 38W,47,48,52 WOF 300 128 ENGLISH
                                                        DWL DWL
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11690 2100-2200 36,37S,46,47 KIG 250 295 ENGLISH
                                                   RRW DWL DWL
11690 2200-0200 12,13,14N,15 KIG 250 265 GERMAN
                                                   RRW DWL DWL
11695 1600-1659 40,41,49,54W NAU 500 90 ENGLISH
                                                       DWL DWL
11695 1700-1730 40E,41NW
                            TRM 250 335 URDU
                                                   CLN DWL DWL
11720 1500-1557 298,30
                            KIG 250 30 RUSSIAN
                                                   RRW DWL DWL
11725 1800-1957 36,46,47E
                            KIG 250 295 GERMAN
                                                   RRW DWL DWL
11865 2200-2355 13-16
                            SIN 250 230 GERMAN
                                                   POR DWL DWL
11925 1800-1957 38,39,48N
                            KIG 250 30 ARABIC
                                                   RRW DWL DWL
11935 2000-2100 58,59
                            TRM 250 120 GERMAN
                                                   CLN DWL DWL
11935 2100-2157 58.59
                            KIG 250 115 GERMAN
                                                   RRW DWL DWL
11945 1800-2000 38W,46E,47W WOF 300 170 GERMAN
                                                       DWL DWL
11995 1430-1559 40E,41
                            NAU 500 90
                                                        DWL DWL
                                        DIVERSE
                                                    D
12005 0600-0700 52SW,57NW
                            KIG 250 210 GERMAN
                                                    RRW DWL DWL
12025 0400-0430 38,39,47N,48 KIG 250 30
                                                    RRW DWL DWL
                                        ARABIC
12025 0600-0800 28E,29,30
                            WOF 300 78
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                                        GERMAN
12025 1900-1930 485,53,57
                            TRM 250 240 ENGLISH
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12025 1930-1958 52,53
                            TRM 250 240 PORTUGUESE CLN DWL DWL
12025 2000-2100 46-48,52N,57 TRM 250 270 ENGLISH
                                                   CLN DWL DWL
12035 1600-1700 37E,38W
                            SIN 250 105 FRENCH
                                                   POR DWL DWL
12035 1700-1800 37S,46
                            WOF 300 182 FRENCH
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12035 2200-2300 51W,54
                            KIG 250 85 INDONESIAN RRW DWL DWL
12045 0500-0530 57N
                            KIG 250 180 ENGLISH
                                                    RRW DWL DWL
12045 0530-0557 53S,57N
                            KIG 250 180 PORTUGUESE RRW DWL DWL
12045 0600-0700 46E,47W
                            KIG 250 295 DIVERSE
                                                   RRW DWL DWL
12045 0700-0800 36,37W,46
                            WOF 300 182 GERMAN
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12045 1000-1100 47SE,48SW,52 KIG 250 0
                                         SWAHILI
                                                    RRW DWL DWL
12055 1600-1755 47,48,52N
                            TRM 250 255 GERMAN
                                                   CLN DWL DWL
12080 1600-1757 298,30
                             SIN 250 60
                                        RUSSIAN
                                                   POR DWL DWL
13735 1300-1330 33S,43E,44 SNG 100 13
                                                 SNG DWL DWL
                                        CHINESE
13780 0400-0600 47,48,53,57N ARM 250 188
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AUT DWL DWL
13780 0800-1000 55,59,60
                             MOS 300 265 GERMAN
13780 0800-1200 28S,39N
                             NAU 500 135 GERMAN
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13780 1200-1359 28S,39N
                             SIN 250 80
                                          GERMAN
                                                     POR DWL DWL
13780 1400-1555 28S,38,39
                             TRM 250 300 GERMAN
                                                     CLN DWL DWL
                             SKN 300 125 GERMAN
                                                         DWL DWL
13780 1600-1800 38,47,48
                                                     G
13780 2000-2157 37,38W,46N
                             KIG 250 325 ARABIC
                                                     RRW DWL DWL
                             NAU 500 180 FRENCH
13790 1700-1757 47,52E,53SW
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15110 1000-1158 54,55,59,60
                             TRM 250 120 GERMAN
                                                     CLN DWL DWL
15190 1030-1150 33S,34SW,43E SNG 100 13
                                                     SNG DWL DWL
                                         CHINESE
15225 1400-1458 48W
                             TRM 250 270 AMHARIC
                                                     CLN DWL DWL
                             SIN 250 105 FRENCH
15245 1200-1300 37SE,38W
                                                     POR DWL DWL
15275 1400-1555 29SE,30,39E KIG 250 30
                                          GERMAN
                                                     RRW DWL DWL
15275 1600-1700 37S,46,47
                             ASC 250 27
                                          FRENCH
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                                                     RRW DWL DWL
15275 1700-1757 46,47SW
                             KIG 250 295 FRENCH
15275 1900-1930 47,48,53,57N SIN 250 142 ENGLISH
                                                     POR DWL DWL
15275 1930-1957 46E,52
                             SIN 250 142 PORTUGUESE POR DWL DWL
15320 2355-0100 44,45
                             P.K 250 247
                                                     RUS DWL GFC
15335 0100-0200 33,34
                             P.K 250 263
                                                     RUS DWL GFC
15335 0200-0400 30S,31W
                             TRM 250 345 RUSSIAN
                                                     CLN DWL DWL
15335 1400-1555 28S,38N,39
                             SIN 250 80
                                                     POR DWL DWL
                                          GERMAN
15410 0500-0530 47,48,52,53W DHA 250 220 ENGLISH
                                                     UAE DWL DWL
15410 0530-0600 47,48,52,53W DHA 250 220 PORTUGUESE UAE DWL DWL
15410 0600-0700 46,47
                             KIG 250 295 GERMAN
                                                     RRW DWL DWL
15410 1000-1100 52SE,53W
                             KIG 250 180 SWAHILI
                                                     RRW DWL DWL
15410 1200-1300 47S,48W,52E KIG 250 0
                                          FRENCH
                                                     RRW DWL DWL
15410 1300-1357 46E,47SW
                             KIG 250 310 HAUSA
                                                     RRW DWL DWL
15440 1800-2000 47S,52,53NW
                             DHA 250 230 GERMAN
                                                     UAE DWL DWL
15445 0400-0500 47SE,48,52E
                             TRM 250 270 ENGLISH
                                                     CLN DWL DWL
15610 1200-1400 31,32,40E,42 TRM 250 355 GERMAN
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15620 0100-0158 32,33,34N
                             TRM 250 25
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                                          RUSSIAN
15620 0400-0457 30S,31S
                             KIG 250 30
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                                                     RRW DWL DWL
15620 0500-0557 19,29
                             KIG 250 0
                                          RUSSIAN
                                                     RRW DWL DWL
15620 0800-0858 40E,41NW
                                                     CLN DWL DWL
                             TRM 250 335 DIVERSE
15620 1200-1258 51,54
                             TRM 250 105 INDONESIAN CLN DWL DWL
15620 1300-1330 33S,34SW,43
                             TRM 250 45
                                          CHINESE
                                                     CLN DWL DWL
15620 1330-1430 40E,41NW
                             NAU 500 90
                                          DIVERSE
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17525 0800-0958 54,55,58,59 TRM 250 120 GERMAN
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17560 0700-0800 47,48,52,53W DHA 250 240 GERMAN
                                                     UAE DWL DWL
17610 1200-1300 37S,46N,46SW WOF 300 182 FRENCH
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17610 1330-1430 40E,41NW
                             WOF 300 82
                                         DIVERSE
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                                                         DWL DWL
17610 1500-1600 52,53W
                             DHA 250 225 SWAHILI
                                                     UAE DWL DWL
17610 1600-1657 375,46
                             NAU 500 180 FRENCH
                                                         DWL DWL
17630 1200-1400 40-42,49
                             NAU 500 90
                                          GERMAN
                                                         DWL DWL
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17700 0900-1000 43S,44,45,49 TRM 250 45
                                          ENGLISH
                                                     CLN DWL DWL
17710 0800-0900 40E,41NW
                             NAU 500 95
                                          DIVERSE
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                                                         DWL DWL
17770 1000-1157 13E,14,15
                             SIN 250 225 GERMAN
                                                     POR DWL DWL Mo-Fr
17770 1000-1200 13E,14,15
                             WOF 300 238 GERMAN
                                                         DWL DWL Sa/Su
17800 0400-0600 52E,53,57NE TRM 250 240 GERMAN
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RRW DWL DWL
17800 1200-1400 46,47SW
                            KIG 250 295 DIVERSE
17820 1030-1150 43S,44,49N
                                                   CLN DWL DWL
                            TRM 250 45 CHINESE
17820 1200-1300 54
                            DHA 250 105 INDONESIAN UAE DWL DWL
21665 1200-1300 37E,46E,47S NAU 500 180 FRENCH
                                                   D
                                                       DWL DWL
21665 1300-1400 46E,47S,47NW NAU 500 180 HAUSA
                                                       DWL DWL
                                                   D
21780 0900-1000 43S,44,49,50 TRM 250 60 ENGLISH
                                                   CLN DWL DWL
                                                       DWL DWL
21780 1000-1100 48SW,52E,53S NAU 500 165 SWAHILI
                                                   D
21840 1000-1157 54,55,58,59 NAU 500 85 GERMAN
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                                                       DWL DWL
(yet another sort, BCDX Dec 29 via DXLD)
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** GERMANY. Deutsche Freiheitssender 904

Voor de ``ouderen`` onder ons: MDR FERNSEHEN | 28.12.2006 | 22:05 Uhr Achtung, wir rufen Kr‰uterhexe Geheimbotschaften aus der DDR - Ein Film von Henry K^hler

"Hier ist der Freiheitssender 904 - der einzige Sender der Bundesrepublik, der nicht unter Regierungskontrolle steht..." weiteres dazu dort: http://www.mdr.de/doku/3787621.html (via Max van Arnhem, Netherlands, BDX via DXLD)

** GERMANY [and non]. a new round of the aerial picture discussion again brought my attention to the http://www.senderfotos-bb.de website, mentioned already a while ago for the Nauen pictures at http://www.senderfotos-bb.de/nauen.htm

Some other, especially interesting stuff (i.e. taken aside all the zooooooms on countless FM and TV antennas):

Berlin studio facilities:

http://www.senderfotos-bb.de/nalepastrasse.htm

Top to bottom 3 x Nalepastrafle when GDR radio was still called "Deutscher Demokratischer Rundfunk" (in the seventies the name changed to "Rundfunk der DDR"); 2 x Berlin-Johannisthal I think (opposed to Berlin-Adlershof, the main seat of GDR TV), TV outdoor broadcasting van.

Berlin-Britz:

http://www.senderfotos-bb.de/britz.htm

First three rows: 855 and 990 (plus FM) antennas.

"Teil des demontierten Kreuzdipols": Former cross dipole for NVIS operation of 990, banned from further use a decade ago due to excessive fieldstrength levels outside the station grounds.

"Kurzwellen-Faltdipol": 6190 antenna. The transmitter sits in the

shack (with the greened out mercury vapor lamp next to the door...), probably indeed behind the window through which a fluoro lamp can be seen. I was shown this transmitter 11 years ago, when it was still a back-up for 6005 ("sorry, I can't fire up the plate current, it would cause trouble since the other transmitter is on"), and it is almost unbelievable that this 56-year-old unit is still in regular operation now.

"Kurzwellen-Antenne n^rdl. des Hauptgeb‱udes": 6005 kHz.

Berlin Stallup^ner Allee: http://www.senderfotos-bb.de/stallp.htm All history now; 567 shut down a year ago, reportedly site already dismantled!

Berlin-Frohnau: http://www.senderfotos-bb.de/frohnau.htm

Last four pictures: Mediumwave antenna for 1485 (DRM). The other facilities were once used for microwave links: Large diameter antennas for high-powered scatter link to Torfhaus, big mast for direct link (no scatter!) to Dannenberg.

Berlin Sch%ferberg: http://www.senderfotos-bb.de/schaeferberg.htm Note simple wire antenna for 1485(DRM).

R,dersdorf: http://www.senderfotos-bb.de/rueddorf.htm Third 1485 synchro site.

Zehlendorf (east of Oranienburg): http://www.senderfotos-bb.de/zdorf.htm

Mast 1 = 177 kHz, Mast 2 = 603/693 kHz, Dreieckfl%chenantenne = backup for 177 kHz.

K^nigs Wusterhausen: http://www.senderfotos-bb.de/kw.htm

Note pictures 10, 11 and 12: This appears to be a mobile mediumwave transmitter, put on display complete with antenna. Probably 20 kW, like it was the case with the "plug-in transmitter" that was in use at Burg (but connected to a proper antenna).

Cottbus Wilhelm-K¸lz-Strafle: http://www.senderfotos-bb.de/studiocb.htm Studio site in 1983 (sign in Sorbian might be of special interest)

Guben 1584 kHz: http://www.senderfotos-bb.de/guben.htm

Note B&W pictures, taken in 1982: 1 kW mediumwave facility, on top FM antenna for off-air pick-up (apparently no audio circuit in use), very

small transmitter containment. About three dozens of such facilities were scattered across the GDR, but these are the first photos I see of one!

Neubrandenburg: http://www.senderfotos-bb.de/neubrb.htm Note the remains of old, rather heavy fencing; probably this used to be the 657 kHz site?

Garz/R_sgen: http://www.senderfotos-bb.de/garz.htm
Just for info; this facility replaced Putbus for FM transmission.

Bernburg: http://www.senderfotos-bb.de/bernburg.htm
Mediumwave extinct for about 15 years now, but scroll down

Burg: http://www.senderfotos-bb.de/burgmw.htm Just some more pictures, but taken in winter, so some details not hidden by leaves here.

Geyer (south of Chemnitz): http://www.senderfotos-bb.de/chemnitz.htm Penultimate picture shows the simple wire antenna for the short-lived 1116 outlet, now apparently removed.

Chemnitz-Reichenhain: http://www.senderfotos-bb.de/reichenhain.htm I assume this was the original 1116 site, with the (now unused) transmitter building lurking over the new FM equipment.

Wilsdruff: http://www.senderfotos-bb.de/wilsdruff.htm Yet another picture set of this site.

Leipzig Springerstrafle:

http://www.senderfotos-bb.de/leipzigspringer.htm Studio site, even AM-related due to trade fair programming on 729, in 1983 (still used by MDR, but since 2000 only as a mere office building anymore); note the policemen!

Wiederau: http://www.senderfotos-bb.de/leipzig.htm Still existing antenna facilities plus a now dismantled one.

Weida: http://www.senderfotos-bb.de/weida.htm

Frequency given as 1575; last frequency I'm aware of is 1458, still listed after 1992 with MDR 1 - Radio Th ringen (not MDR Info) programming, but I could not find out so far whether or not it was indeed on air at this time. FM-wise the Gera area was covered by Wiederau, but this did not include the Sender Weimar regional programming, so an additional 97.8 transmitter had been put on the Weida site. Frequency lists suggests that this transmitter was indeed on air only for Sender Weimar programming in the morning. Probably it

was feed through a rather poorly equalized circuit of the cable originally meant to feed audio only for AM transmission to this site, at least it is reported that 97.8 was always mono only and sounded quite poor.

In the nineties Weida was for FM transmission replaced by a new site south of Ronneburg: http://www.senderfotos-bb.de/ronneburg.htm

Hamburg-Moorfleet: http://www.senderfotos-bb.de/moorfleet.htm

Second set = 972 back-up, third set = 972 main antenna (with reflecting mast for gain reduction towards the Ukraine)

Kiel-Kronshagen: http://www.senderfotos-bb.de/kiel.htm

Third picture (plus background of first and second ones): 612 antenna.

Szczecin: http://www.senderfotos-bb.de/warszewo.htm

This must be the ex-1260 mast ... (Kai Ludwig, Germany, Dec 29, DX LISTENING DIGEST) DAB: see DIGITAL BROADCASTING below

- ** GREENLAND. 3815U, Gr^nlands Radio, Nothing at 2040 but foghorn ute. Station on at tune in at 2055, OM in presumed Greenlandic. Followed by few minutes of a female vocal. Voice ute/ARO? with two way communication in usb several times during broadcast. Long talks, to 2130 interspersed with vocals, one long tenor vocal 2150, news 2200 with several recorded segments, followed by one pop song and station off 2212. Foghorn ute was periodic and ear splitting. :-) Via DXTuner Europe (Bob Wilkner, FL, Japan Premium Dec 29 via DXLD) Date?
- ** GUATEMALA. R. Cultural Coat·n, 4779.98, *1031-1045+ Dec 23, sign-on with NA. 1035 opening Spanish ID announcements, 1036 organ music, Xmas music. Very good (Brian Alexander, Mechanicsburg PA, DX LISTENING DIGEST)
- ** INDONESIA. VOI The Hum, 9525, inaudible for a change Dec 28 at 1451, but back to usual level the next day at 1450 check. That's the sesquihour wasted with open carrier (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)
- ** IRAN [non]. 3878.3V, V. of Iranian Revolution, Dec 21 *1526-1535, 25342-22342, Kurdish, 1526 sign on with IS, Repetition of IS and ID, 1531 Opening music, Opening announce, Talk, Jamming from 1534.
- 3880.5, V. of Communist Party of Iran, Dec 21, 1728-1735, 22442, Farsi, IS, Opening music, Talk, QRM of Jamming (Kouji Hashimoto, Japan Premium Dec 29 via DXLD)

** ITALY. SWAN SONGS --- Let me remind of the circumstance that probably the end of Rai on shortwave is imminent. See recent DXLD's for reports about such rumours, apparently emanating from Rai sources, with a reference to the renewed contract about running the foreign services in the 2007...2009 period no longer including a mention of shortwave, as was the case in the past (Kai Ludwig, Germany, Dec 29, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST) See also FINLAND

** JAPAN. Another version of the extended transmission schedule for UT Dec 31 only:

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6175 1430-1700 27,28W
                             SKN 250 150 311206 G
                                                    NHK
6190 1500-1600 43,44
                             YAM 300 290 311206 J
                                                    NHK
7140 1500-1700 51,55,56,59,60YAM 100 165 311206 J
                                                    NHK
7140 1900-1930 51,55,56,59,60YAM 100 165 311206 J
                                                    NHK
9750 1430-1700 18,19,28N,29 SKN 250 90 311206 G
                                                    NHK
9805 1430-1700 38-40
                             EKA 300 310 311206 CLN NHK
9835 1700-1900 14,16,61
                            YAM 300 85 311206 J
                                                    NHK
 9835 1900-1930 14,16,61
                            YAM 300 85 311206 J
                                                     NHK
11705 1500-1730 6-8
                             SAC 250 240 311206 CAN NHK
                             EKA 300 350 311206 CLN NHK
12045 1800-1930 41
15355 1430-1700 52,57
                            GAB 500 170 311206 J
                                                     NHK
17565 1020-1445 14,15,16
                            BON 250 170 311206 HOL NHK
17860 1300-1730 10,11
                             SAC 250 240 311206 CAN NHK
21630 1430-1500 46-48,52,53 ASC 250 85 311206 G
(NHK, on Dec 31, 2006 only, wwdxc Dec 25, BC-DX Dec 29 via DXLD)
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** JAPAN [and non]. Trying to listen to NHK Warido, R. Japan in English, Dec 29 at 1440 on 9875, it was marred by QRDRM which was also audible on 9880, but not against much stronger WEWN signal on 9885. At first I suspected RNZI had made another frequency change, but per DRM schedule at

http://www.baseportal.com/cgi-bin/baseportal.pl?htx=/drmdx/main&sort=kHz,UTC it is Kuwait: 1345-1745 daily 9880 282 N Africa 120 Radio Kuwait KWT Arabic Sulaibiyah Kuwait (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** KUWAIT. See JAPAN just above

** LIBERIA. Radio Veritas was received in Sofia with a weak signal December 23 at 1910 hours with reading from the Bible in English. It is not known whether the station verifies reception reports, but nevertheless, its address is: Radio Veritas, P. O. Box 3569, Monrovia, Liberia (Rumen Pankov, R. Bulgaria DX Dec 29 via John Norfolk, dxldyg via DXLD)

** LIBYA [non]. MOLDAVIA, 17650, Sawt al-Amal, 1350-1400, escuchada el 29 de Diciembre en idioma ·rabe a locutor con comentarios y segmento

de m`sica ·rabe, en colisiÛn con emisora emitiendo en francÈs, probablemente Radio Int de China, SINPO 44454 (JosÈ Miguel Romero2, Spain, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** MALI. 4835.40 \\ 5995, Dec 24 at 0157-0231 UT. On exceptionally late. Played several long, slow songs featuring deep percussion and some string instruments along with vocals. Probably local folk music, but almost sounded like hip hop. Audio on both frequencies was mushy-sounding and somewhat undermodulated. 4835.40 kHz slightly better with fair signal and no interference. 5995 kHz best in LSB to fight off RHC's splatter on 6000. NA at 0227, followed very briefly by local folk music and abruptly off air at 0231 UT (Ross Comeau, MA, DXplorer Dec 24 via BCDX via DXLD)

** MEXICO. Hola Glenn: es correcto, ayer y hoy no saliÛ al aire Radio UNAM; no sÈ la razÛn, ya que, los encargados tÈcnicos se encuentran de vacaciones. Espero que una vez que el Ing. Mejla regrese, esto se regularice. Aprovecho para desearte que tengan tu y los tuyos un maravilloso aòo 2007. Un fuerte abrazo, (Juli·n Santiago Dlez de Bonilla, DF, Dec 28, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** MEXICO [and non]. Re 6-191: There was a question in my previous mail which remains unanswered: Is XEAVR now on 719.904?

Sorry if this 720 situation is more muddled than it should be. :-) I am quite certain that XEAVR is *not* the station on 719.904. I believe XEAVR is quite close to the assigned frequency, and have tentatively identified them as being on 719.999. Aside from WGN, which is on 720.000, the other players in this continuing saga are on 719.904, 719.952, 720.003, 720.070, and 720.102 (from last night's measurements). The only one of this latter group that I have ID'ed with any certainty is RJR Jamaica, on 719.952. I also noted last night that the 720.070 and 720.102 signals seem to disappear shortly after 0400z, and that this was indicative of sign-off rather than fade-out. I'll continue working on this case! (Barry McLarnon, VE3JF, Ottawa, ON, Dec 28, Realdx yg via DXLD)

I logged XEAVR on exactly 720.00 (or very, very close to exact) three weeks ago (on December 8) at 0301 UTC with this ID: "XEAVR Radio FÛrmula Veracruz transmitiendo en el 720 de amplitud modulada..."; this was all I could make out, and it was covered a few seconds later by XEDE. This was the first and only time I have heard XEAVR here in Colorado. XEDE is pretty regular here but the other Latins and Caribbeans on 720 are extremely rare this far west. WBBM and KDWN dominate 720 here. I heard Radio CatÛlica occasionally in the mid-90's in the 720.15-720.18 range, but have not heard them since 1998 (John Wilkins, metro Denver (where it is snowing heavily again), ibid.)

** MONGOLIA [and non]. KOREA DPR/MONGOLIA/USA, 12015: During the action "Meet the X-mas and New Year on Radiowaves" were noted from 1500 UT on 12015 kHz, 3 radiostations with programs in English: VOKorea, VOMongolia, WYFR (special Christmas concert), Dec 24 (Rumen Pankov, Bulgaria, wwdxc BC-DX Dec 28 via DXLD) By golly, per EiBi, WYFR is on 12015 at 15-16, via UAE to S Asia. Why in the world would they pick such a frequency already conflicted? (Glenn Hauser, DXLD)

** NETHERLANDS. Final edition: Radio Netherlands' "A Good Life" airing this week

While preparing my NASWA column for January, I came across the mention that "A Good Life", Radio Netherlands' program on global development, was airing its final edition this week. If you miss it on shortwave the first time around, the final shortwave airing will be next Tuesday (in some areas, UTC Wednesday); the program should be archived for on-demand listening; check out

http://www.radionetherlands.nl/radioprogrammes/agoodlife/ and http://www.radionetherlands.nl/listeningguide/this_week

"A Good Life" is being replaced by a multi-broadcaster cooperative production, "Network Europe"; it is described with the following text: "Take a dash of entertainment, add a measure of information. Swirl in a hint of irreverence and mix well for a thoroughly European flavour. An enticing cocktail that offers more than a taste of events on the continent this week. We call it Network Europe: served up every Tuesday and Friday by a partnership of Europe's leading broadcasters." (Richard Cuff / Allentown, PA USA, Dec 30, swprograms via DXLD)

** NEW ZEALAND. NEW YEARS EVE EXTENDED BROADCAST HOURS Radio Ferrymead 1413 AM Christchurch NZ

A possible long distance 'DX' catch for listeners in Australia and North America is Radio Ferrymead in Christchurch, New Zealand. It will stay on air until after midnight local time [1100 UT] on December 31 with traditional New Years Eve programs of music, celebrations, midnight countdown.

The format is nostalgia, so the music will range from 1930's-1970's and nearly all music is broadcast using original 78, 45 and 33 rpm recordings.

A well maintained 1 kW transmitter running at proper modulation levels and a well engineered tower on swampland by the coast and two river estuaries combine to give Radio Ferrymead a clear 'old fashioned' signal. The station is run by volunteers, including ex-broadcasters and amateur radio enthusiasts.

Radio Ferrymead also uses the ID '3XP' as a throwback to previous decades when NZ stations used callsigns. 'Your love affair with yesteryear'.

The other NZ station on 1413 is NewstalkZB in Tokoroa which usually runs a nostalgia program on Sunday nights as well so listen carefully!

Happy New Year 2007 from the team at the Radio Heritage Foundation; you can find us at http://www.radioheritage.net (David Ricquish, RHF, Dec 30, DX LISTENIING DIGEST)

** PAKISTAN. Celebrating Radio --- By Burhanuddin Hasan

On the occasion of the hundredth anniversary of the birth of Radio in the world, Mr. Javed Jabbar, head of his news venture JJ Media, organised a high profile conference in Karachi recently. He killed two birds with one stone by highlighting the importance of Radio at a time when it has been submerged in the avalanche of TV channels, and also introduced his new media company in a befitting manner. Radio's birthday should have been celebrated by Radio Pakistan, but it has lagged behind TV so much that it has all but forgotten its own importance in the world media scenario. . . [much more] http://www.thenews.com.pk/daily_detail.asp?id=37119 (via Bob Wilkner, Japan Premium via DXLD)

** PERU. R. Ancash, Huaraz, 4990.94, 1030-1046+ Dec 21, Spanish announcements, ads, talk. 1034 & 1046 IDs. Huaynos. Weak but readable (Brian Alexander, Mechanicsburg PA, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** RUSSIA. Sergei meldet einen Wechsel auf die neue Webseite, dies trifft auch auf die 'deutschen' Seiten zu. Von http://www.vor.ru/German/german.htm auf http://www.ruvr.ru/index.php?lng=ger
Die neuen Seiten sehen im Vergleich sehr unruhig, exakt militaerisch und auch die Schriften zu fett und dick aus, viele Unterstreichungen und zu viele dunkle Farbflaechen. Wer's mag. Warum das Ganze? Als Kontakt wird die Allerweltsadresse letters @ ruvr.ru genannt. Wie trennt man die einzelnen Sprach-Briefkaesten? (Wolfgang B schel, Stuttgart, Dec 26, BCDX Dec 29 via DXLD) see also CHINA

** RUSSIA. 6095, Voice of Russia, Irkutsk, 1050-1100 Dec 29. Noted comments and music until 1058 when IS/NA presented before going off the air. Could not determine the language used during this transmission. Previous copy a couple of days ago (reported as unID), was fair, but copy this morning was worst than threshold, if that is possible? This sked is listed in HFCC B06 (Chuck Bolland, Clewiston, Florida, NRD545, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

I skimmed thru the WRTH 2006 VOR listings and find two languages occupying 10-11 UT: German and Korean. So from Irkutsk the latter would be much more likely. Then went to http://www.vor.ru and clicked on Korean. This led to an unintelligible page but I found a link to frequencies: http://www.vor.ru/korean/?view=freq

That however is the A-06 schedule but it does show 6095 at 10-11, along with 5920! The same is on the new website for B-06: http://www.ruvr.ru/main.php?lng=kor&w=53&p= (Glenn Hauser, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Glenn, I was on VOR's link the other day. I couldn't make heads or tails from it since the off languages are in that language and I can't read them (Chuck Bolland, DXLD)

I can't read most of them either, but if you hover over certain ???? links you may find that the html code includes ``freq`` or something similar. That's how I found the VOR frequency pages in Korean (gh)

** RWANDA. R. Rwanda, Kigali, 6055, 2045-2102* Dec 21, variety of Afro-pops, US pops, French pops, ballads. DJ chatter in French and some occasional English. IDs, phone talk. Abrupt sign-off mid-song (Brian Alexander, Mechanicsburg PA, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** SAUDI ARABIA. Mr. Hauser, Greetings from the far Chile. As an avid reader of your digest, I write now (I wrote to you before for Armenia's broadcasts) to you for a question. Here I hear very well the broadcasts of BSKSA to West Africa, and I am very interested in reporting to them for verification. WRTH said that reports are welcomed, but in pages such as http://www.schoechi.de I couldn't find verifications after 2001, and among the Chilean radiolisteners that I know they don't have any recent verifications of BSKSA. Do you know if BSKSA is verifying actually reception reports? Address that I have is the same of WRTH 2006. I await your answer. Thanks you for your time. Best wishes, and happy New Year, (Eduardo Esteban Peòailillo Barra, Santiago, Chile, Dec 29, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Eduardo, I don't keep track very closely of QSL policies, but I don't recall seeing any reported lately. I would hope that the QSL IP has the latest info, but perhaps is not up to date. I will put your query in DXLD and we shall see if anyone else can answer this. 73, (Glenn to Eduardo, via DXLD)

Glenn and Eduardo, I checked back as far as the June 2005 issue of the NASWA Journal and saw no BSKSA QSL's repoted. My advice: Send the report and see what happens (Steve Lare, Holland, MI USA, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** SOUTH CAROLINA [non]. Speaking of the seriously hindered, Brother Stair seems to have abandoned 6890 [WWRB] lately. Has the money run out; ran out of tape; house arrest reinstated? Harold -- maybe he's found another 17 year old girl to woo :o --kvz (Kenneth Vito Zichi, MARE Tipsheet Dec 29 via DXLD)

** SPAIN. Modulation problems with CRI relay: see CHINA [non]

** SWEDEN. Iíve spent a lot of late nights recently listening to Radio Swedenís programming via the CBC Radio One Overnight Service. During this time Iíve developed a whole new appreciation for this half hour daily broadcast. Sadly, itís the last source of English programming from the Nordic countries.

- ``Radio Swedenís weekday and weekend programming is a window on the diverse perspectives and issues in Sweden today.
- ``Our daily editions offer a smorgasbord of news and current affairs, science and technology, lifestyle, and culture. We explore, debate, analyse and give insight into the way Swedish society and its people are changing to meet todayís challenges and opportunities.
- ``Radio Sweden is committed to its goal of being the best source of information about Sweden in English with relevant, interesting and thought-provoking programmes for Swedenís culturally diverse society, its expatriate community, Swedes abroad and `Swedophiles` around the world.

Weekdays

Radio Sweden Monday: Culture Radio Sweden Tuesday: Discover Radio Sweden Wednesday: Real Life Radio Sweden Thursday: Lifestyle

Friday: Inside Sweden

Weekends: Saturdays --- Sweden Today (1st), HeadSet (2nd), A J&J Lifestyle (3rd), Studio 49 (4th)

Sundays --- Network Europe - The programme that speaks to the hearts & minds of Europeans brought to you by Radio Sweden and a partnership of Europeís leading international broadcasters.

http://www.sr.se/cgi-bin/International/nyhetssidor/artikel.asp?nyheter=1&ProgramID=2054&Artikel=475671

(via Fred Waterer, ON, Programming Matters, Jan ODXA Listening In via DXLD)

** TAIWAN [non]. Relay problems: see FRANCE

** TURKMENISTAN. Turkmen Radio broadcasts on short wave in local languages but news in English can be heard from 15 to 1510 hours on 5015 and 279 kHz and from 1640 to 1650 hours on 4930 kHz. The QSL address is: Turkmen Radio, English Service, Mollanepes Street 3, 744000 Ashgabat, Turkmenistan (Rumen Pankov, R. Bulgaria DX Dec 29 via John Norfolk, dxldyg via DXLD)

** U S A. Re gh's unID on 2670: Must be New Orleans per sked below

NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE MARINE FORECASTS http://www.weather.gov/om/marine/mfvoice.htm

U.S. COAST GUARD MF VOICE

Marine Forecast Offices and Centers Marine Forecast Offices and Centers provide links to their products as well as additional regionally focused information.

NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE MARINE PRODUCTS VIA USCG MF VOICE

2182 kHz (Present calling frequency) 2187.5 kHz (Future calling frequency) 2670 kHz

The U.S. Coast Guard broadcasts National Weather Service offshore forecasts and storm warnings of interest to the mariner on 2670 kHz following an initial announcement on 2182 kHz. Typical transmission range is 50-150 nautical miles during the day and 150-300 nautical miles at night. These broadcasts are prepared by the Ocean Prediction Center, Tropical Prediction Center, Anchorage Forecast Office and Honolulu Forecast Office. Visit the U.S. Coast Guard Maritime Telecommunications Information webpage for further information on Coast Guard telecommunications. See tables below for a listing of current broadcast schedules of U.S. Coast Guard Groups performing medium frequency (MF) voice broadcasts.

In the state of Alaska, medium frequency voice broadcasts, are performed from National Weather Service Forecast Offices on a MF/HF frequency of 4125 kHz.

A Listing of NWS Marine Products Broadcast via U.S. Coast Guard MF Voiceis available.

Click here to listen to a typical USCG MF voice broadcast.

Refer to NGA Publication 117, which is updated through the Notice to Mariners, for the latest official listing of U.S. Coast Guard

broadcast schedules. The British Admiralty List of Radio Signals, is an excellent reference source for weather broadcast information.

All NWS marine forecasts rely heavily on the Voluntary Observing Ship (VOS) program for obtaining meteorological observations.

All broadcasts in the upper sideband (USB) mode.

First Coast Guard District

MF Voice Weather Broadcast
Sector Field Office (SFO) Southwest Harbor
Parent Command Sector Northern New England 1135z, 2335z
Sector Northern New England 1105z, 2305z
Sector Boston 1035z, 2235z
Sector Southeastern New England 0440z, 1640z
SFO Moriches Parent Command Sector Long Island Sound 0010z, 1210z
Sector Long Island Sound none
Sector New York none

Fifth Coast Guard District

MF Voice Weather Broadcast
SFO Atlantic City - Parent Command Sector Delaware Bay 1103z, 2203z
Sector Delaware Bay none
Sector Baltimore none
SFO Eastern Shore Parent Command Sector Hampton Roads 0233z, 1403z
Sector Hampton Roads 0203z, 1333z
SFO Cape Hatteras Parent Command Sector North Carolina 0133z, 1303z
Sector North Carolina 0103z, 1233z

Seventh Coast Guard District

MF Voice Weather Broadcast Sector Charleston 0420z, 1620z Sector Jacksonville 0620z, 1820z Sector Miami 0350z, 1550z Sector Key West none Sector San Juan 0305z, 1505z Sector St. Petersburg 0320z, 1420z

Eighth Coast Guard District

MF Voice Weather Broadcast Group Ohio Valley none Sector Upper Mississippi River none Sector Lower Mississippi River none Sector Mobile 1020z, 1220z, 1620z, 2220z Sector New Orleans 0550z, 1035z, 1235z, 1635z, 2235z <<<<<<<<>< Sector Houston-Galveston 1050z, 1250z, 1650z, 2250z Sector Corpus Christi 1040z, 1240z, 1640z, 2240z

Ninth Coast Guard District

MF Voice Weather Broadcast
Sector Buffalo none
Sector Detroit none
Sector Sault Ste. Marie none
SFO Grand Haven - Parent Command Sector Lake Michigan none
Sector Lake Michigan none

Eleventh Coast Guard District

MF Voice Weather Broadcast Group/Airstation Humboldt Bay 0303z, 1503z Sector San Francisco 0203z, 1403z Sector Los Angeles/Long Beach 0503z, 1303z, 2103z Sector San Diego none

Thirteenth Coast Guard District

MF Voice Weather Broadcast Sector Seattle none Group/Airstation Port Angeles 0615z, 1815z Group/Airstation Astoria 0533z, 1733z Sector Portlandnone Group/Airstation North Bend 0603z, 1803z

Fourteenth Coast Guard District

MF Voice Weather Broadcast Sector Honolulu 0545z, 1145z, 1745z, 2345z Sector Guam 0705z, 2205z

Seventeenth Coast Guard District

MF Voice Weather Broadcast Sector Juneau none Communications Station Kodiak none Marine Safety Unit (MSU) Valdez Parent Command Sector Anchorage none

National Weather Service Office of Climate, Weather, and Water Services Marine and Coastal Weather Services Branch (W/OS21) Last modified: Sep 14, 2006 (via Mike Cooper, DXLD) ** U S A. Re 6-191, modulation anomaly on WYFR 11565? I asked Dan Elyea at WYFR if he could explain it:

Hello Glenn, I could only surmise at this point. One possibility is that some other broadcaster tuned up briefly on the frequency. Another possibility is that the tuning of our transmitter was a little off temporarily. The operator has to make frequency changes on five transmitters during that period (1400), and is moving fast. Once everything is up, he goes back around to tweak the tuning as needed. PA grid drive being low might account for what you heard. Getting the tuning spot-on would bring the drive back into range. Best regards, (Dan Elyea, Dec 29, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. I can tell that KAIJ Dallas is going around 90% with an almost steady signal on 9480 all day long, which is remarkable if we take in count that 31m is practically silent by Tiquicia noon. Changing at 2100 to 5755 doesn't diminish the good signal during most of the nighttime (Ra'l Saavedra, Costa Rica, Dec 29, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

KAIJ has a special program on the Fessenden anniversary hosted by Ted Randall, it includes an interview with Allan Pitts, W1AGP of the ARRL. It will air again on January 1, 2007 at 2 pm CST (2000 UT) on 9480 and at 4 pm CST (2200 UT) on 5755. I just caught the tail end of the program Christmas Day and received an email from Allan Pitts today regarding the next airing (Wade Smith, VE9WGS, Dec 28, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. Christmas/New Year Programs --- WRMI will re-broadcast last week's Viva Miami Cayman Islands Christmas program Sunday, Dec. 31 at 2330-0000 UT on 9955 kHz (in English).

We will also have two New Year's Eve specials in Spanish -- one from Radio Rep'blica at 0400-0500 UT Monday Jan 1, and the other from Cuba Virtual at 0500-0600 UT Monday Jan 1 -- both on 9955 kHz. This block is from 11 pm to 1 am local time in Miami (and Cuba).

Incidentally, we have a new QSL card with our logo on it, now available.

WRMI transmitir· dos programas especiales para el fin de aÒo, uno de Radio Rep'blica de 0400-0500 UT lunes 1 de enero, y el otro de Cuba Virtual de 0500-0600 UT lunes 1 de enero en 9955 kHz. Esto corresponde a 11 pm-1 am hora local de Miami (y Cuba). °Fellz AÒo Nuevo! (Jeff White, WRMI, Dec 28, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. WHRI's Angel #1 must have landed due to a breakdown, or went flying to other skies. Don't have any other explanation after three days in row absent on 11785 as I use to check spitting each other with adjacent R. Nacional da AmazÙnia all the way from 1400 to 1600, and no signal at 1600 on 15280 as well. Just visited their website and everything seems to be O.K. for them. Anyone out there knowing something? (Ra'l Saavedra, Costa Rica, Dec 29, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. YOUTH, AND CLASSICAL MUSIC, ARE SERVED BY 'FROM THE TOP'
By Marc Fisher, Washington Post Staff Writer, Sunday, December 24,
2006; N03

http://www.washingtonpost.com/wp-dyn/content/article/2006/12/22/AR2006122200186_pf.html

As a Chicago second-grader, Christopher O'Riley was listening to the radio one day and happened upon a concerto played by violinist Jascha Heifetz. Drawn to the sound like a moth to the light, the boy dug into his communion money and bought himself an FM radio.

Now O'Riley is 50, a concert pianist who is perhaps better known as the Pied Piper of young American classical performers. As host of "From the Top" -- the weekly radio show that gives promising teenagers the chance not only to show their musical chops, but also to demonstrate that they are funny and even cool -- O'Riley plays the roles of Art Linkletter, Johnny Carson and Garrison Keillor, all wrapped up in an on-air persona that owes as much to Jim Carrey as to Leonard Bernstein.

But the kind of happenstance that led O'Riley to the love of his life is rapidly becoming nearly impossible for today's young music explorers.

"From the Top," which is produced for public radio, aired in Washington on WETA (90.9 FM) until that station dropped classical music two years ago. The show moved to the city's commercial classical station, WGMS (104.1 FM), but now its format is about to vanish from the airwaves, with the station becoming Redskins owner Dan Snyder's fourth sports talk outlet in the Washington area. Soon the only ways to hear the show locally will probably be via XM Satellite Radio or online.

As school systems cut back on arts classes, music instruction and classical music, O'Riley's eight-year-old show fights against the tide, presenting the classics as a form of achievement every bit as accessible as a great college sports game.

Despite O'Riley's rejection of an elitist tone on the show, he is also adamant that the music not be dumbed-down, as he far too often finds it is in the ever-narrowing spaces for classical music in the mass media.

"No organ music, no choral works, just the same light, easy pieces over and over." That's what O'Riley says he hears on the dwindling number of radio stations -- public or commercial -- that still devote themselves to a classical format. On "From the Top," you hear young people diving into contemporary compositions, a Japanese work for the marimba, a 20th-century piece for trombone.

"On too many radio stations, there's this feeling that you're really listening to the Top 40 all the time," O'Riley says. That's not to say that the pianist eschews the popular in his own performances; to the contrary, he is renowned for his transcriptions of songs by the band Radiohead, which he has recorded in solo piano versions that have captured the fancy even of critics who have a visceral distaste for so-called crossover recordings.

The point is that O'Riley and the kids who appear on his show get a blast out of smashing through categories, even as they eagerly try to introduce the classics to an audience that knows far too little about the music that has lasted for centuries. And too often, O'Riley finds that one of the most difficult obstacles to category-busting is the nature of the radio business.

"When we started 'From the Top,' the original idea was to cross genres, to include bluegrass and a jazz quintet from New York," he says. "But when we shipped the pilot shows to classical stations, they said, 'If you have one minute of jazz or bluegrass, you're off, because we're a classical station.' "

Even if radio remains strictly segregated by genre, the pianist has no intention of adopting the business's tunnel vision. O'Riley, who lives in Ohio with his fiancee (believe it or not, they met on a Radiohead message board), has an album of Nick Drake tunes coming out in the spring.

But he worries that young people have few points of entry into classical music. Despite the seemingly infinite array of pop and rock music available to share on the Web, there remains an odd paucity of classical music to download. The kids who appear on "From the Top" have generally gotten into the classics because the music was available in their homes. "Usually it's some 2-year-old who just started to pound on the keys of the piano, or it's someone being brought to an orchestra concert and seeing the flute and saying, 'That's me!'", O'Riley says.

That moment of discovery rarely arrives on the Internet because listeners have to know what they're looking for; rather, he says, it

is still radio that provides that introduction that can alter the course of a young life. So O'Riley finds himself angry that so many radio stations have dropped classical music, including his show, to focus exclusively on news and talk. Some of those stations made a bright show of telling listeners that they were holding on to the popular "From the Top," only to tuck away the show in a 5 a.m. Sunday time slot.

"A lot of it does smack of cutting and running," O'Riley says, but some public stations across the country remain committed to intelligent and local classical programming. And in a handful of cities that no longer have public stations that play music, it's the commercial classical stations that have adopted "From the Top," partly to help seed the next generation's love for the music.

Several of those commercial stations run the show without ads, O'Riley says. "They're doing it because they want it on their schedule."

In the spring, "From the Top" expands to TV, with a 13-part series on PBS, with guests such as soprano Dawn Upshaw, violinist Joshua Bell and genre-bending banjo player Bela Fleck.

On TV and on the radio, O'Riley is searching for the right blend of fun and serious musicmaking. He aims to avoid the sense of desperation that drives concert halls to turn classical performances into singles parties.

"The music is great because it has always been great, not because someone says your SAT scores are going to go up if you listen," O'Riley says. "It's about the pursuit of excellence, in the same way that AndrÈ Agassi is so good at his craft. Notice no one ever says he's elitist."

From the Top airs Sundays at 9 p.m. on WGMS for as long as the classical station still exists; on XM Satellite Radio's Channel 133 on Sundays at 11 a.m. and 11 p.m.; and on the show's Web site, http://www.fromthetop.org (via Mike Cooper, DXLD)

87 weekly broadcasts of FTT are on the schedule at http://www.publicradiofan.com/cgi-bin/program.pl?programid=507 (Glenn Hauser, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. COLUMBUS TALK PROTEST
Date: Thu, 28 Dec 2006 11:27:51 -0500
posted by Ohio Media Watch

COLUMBUS TALK PROTEST: A group of regular listeners to Clear Channel talk WTPG/1230 "Progressive 1230" is hoping to repeat recent liberal

talk radio history.

They've launched a website hoping to get online signatures in support of the company keeping the station's liberal talk lineup, instead of implementing the station's announced change to a mix of conservative and sports talk as WYTS "Talk 1230, Your Talk Station" on January 8th.

The group is hoping to reap the same success as a series of efforts in Madison WI, where Clear Channel reversed its announced change of liberal talk WXXM/92.1 "The Mic" to sports talk a few days ago.

And we hear from some of those involved that they're also encouraging advertisers to 1230 in Columbus to redirect some of their advertising money to the online stream of Ohio's only remaining liberal talk outlet, Akron's WARF/1350 "Radio Free Ohio".

The site has audio of one group member, "Dave from Columbus", calling Jones Radio's Ed Schultz show on Wednesday, and Schultz's own call to his guest-hosted show about the topic.

Dave's also a regular caller to another WTPG staple about to lose its Columbus home - Jones' Stephanie Miller show...where he identifies himself as "Dave from Columbus (Gahanna, actually)".

The reference comes from the fact that 1230 in Columbus was one of Miller's first two affiliates and her first large market affiliate, and many of the show's callers in those early days were referring to their locations by Columbus-area suburbs and landmarks...

posted by Ohio Media Watch @ 9:00 AM (via Artie Bigley, DXLD)

** U S A. LEFT LAUGHING --- STEPHANIE MILLER MOVES FROM SISTER SLEAZE TO PROGRESSIVE RADIO QUEEN --- BY RON NETSKY DECEMBER 27, 2006

As the daughter of upstate GOP Congressman William E. Miller, Stephanie Miller's Republican cred couldn't be much better. In 1964, when she was 3 years old, her father ran for vice president on the Republican ticket alongside conservative hero Barry Goldwater.

But Stephanie Miller's ambitions were not political. She wanted to be a comedian like her idol, Carol Burnett. And after majoring in theater at the University of Southern California, she landed her first professional radio gig. In the mid-1980s, Rochesterians got to know her as Sister Sleaze, sidekick to Brother Wease.

Politics gradually crept back into her life, but it wasn't conservative politics. Two decades and several incarnations later, Miller is the hottest voice in liberal radio.

Her show is on more than 60 stations across the country. She's as smart as she is funny, skewering one conservative after another, often with their own pitchforks.

The Stephanie Miller Show, which airs locally (weekdays from 9 a.m. to noon) on News Talk 950 WROC AM, is arguably the most creative talk show on the air. Miller and her sidekicks improvise their way through political and social criticism with sound effects, guest appearances by Washington luminaries (channeled by impressionist Jim Ward), and an unrelentingly wicked satirical bite. It's a fast-moving, irreverent good time. And Miller has definitely not left all elements of Sister Sleaze behind.

The show may be a bit hard to swallow for conservatives, especially the ones who provide Miller with so much of her material. But life couldn't be much better for a left-leaning comedian these days. . . http://www.rochester-citynews.com/gyrobase/Content?oid=oid%3A5105 (via Artie Bigley, DXLD)

** U S A. OWNER: NOTHING BACKWARDS ABOUT KCUF RADIO --- Rick Carroll - Aspen Daily News Staff Writer Thu 12/28/2006 10:00PM MST

There's nothing backwards about Aspen's newest radio station. It plays the latest top 40 hits and has a Web site that keeps listeners apprised of what's currently on the air and the few tunes that played before it. But what's really not backwards about Radio Free Aspen, located at 100.5 on the FM dial, is that word forbidden by the Federal Communications Commission that its call letters spell, said owner Simon T. KCUF, he said, is the moniker for Keeping Colorado Uniquely Free. . . http://www.aspendailynews.com/article_17474 (via Artie Bigley, DXLD)

- ** URUGUAY. Sigue armûnico en 80m: 3630, CV121 R. Dif. Soriano (1210 x 3), mayormente m'sica latina y uruguaya. ID a las 0203, avance de programaciûn, por locutor. QRK 2/3. Dic. 28. 73, Feliz 2007. rx: Degen DE1103, ant: randomwire 25 m de long (Horacio Nigro, Montevideo, Uruguay, condig list via DXLD)
- ** VENEZUELA. HUGO CH; VEZ ANUNCIA REVOCACI"N DE SE-AL A CANAL DE TV JORGE RUEDA Associated Press

CARACAS - El presidente Hugo Ch·vez anunciÛ el jueves su decisiÛn de no renovar la concesiÛn que derivarla en el cierre de la cadena Radio Caracas TelevisiÛn, una de las televisoras m·s antiguas del pals, a la que acusa de actividades subversivas. Su declaraciÛn viene a incrementar la tensiÛn entre su gobierno y los medios privados que en gran parte est·n alineados con los partidos de oposiciÛn y se cuentan

entre sus m·s severos crÌticos. . . http://www.miami.com/mld/elnuevo/16336692.htm 73. (via Dino Bloise FLORIDA, EEUU, DXLD)

Y uno se pregunta: øEs asì como act a un presidente demÛcrata? Indudablemente que Ch·vez solo le serviÛ las elecciones del 03 de Diciembre para que lo legitimaran como presidente demÛcrata. Lo que olvida que para ser demÛcrata no basta con ganar elecciones. "Lo que suspuestamente hizo con las manos el pasado 03 de Diciembre, hoy lo ha destruÌdo con los pies comport·ndose como un militarejo de una rep'blica bananera" (Jorge GarcÌa, Venezuela, ibid.)

MARCEL GRANIER, PRESIDENTE DE RCTV LE RESPONDE A CH; VEZ.

Marcel Granier: "lo 'nico que queda claro es el deseo del Gobierno de amedrentar a RCTV"

El presidente de las empresas 1BC, Marcel Granier, indicÛ que el Presidente Ch·vez al anunciar revocamiento de la concesiÛn de Radio Caracas TelevisiÛn se encontraba "mal informado". AsegurÛ que la empresa conoce sus derechos sobre el espacio radioelÈctrico que manejan desde 1953.

ExplicÛ que los funcionarios del Gobierno que manejan la informaciÛn acerca del permiso para el uso del espacio radioelÈctrico no tienen claros los conceptos y asÌ lo trasmitieron al Jefe de Estado.

"No sÈ si es un capricho, una amenaza (...) Lo 'nico que queda claro es el deseo del Gobierno de amedrentar a Radio Caracas TelevisiÛn y hacerla que cambie su lÌnea independiente que la ha caracterizado toda su vida", dijo.

Granier seòal \hat{U} que fueron destacadas fechas que no existen, por lo cual no descart \hat{U} "que esto no haya sido m·s que una broma de mal gusto del dla de los inocentes que alguien le jug \hat{U} en el dla de los inocentes".

DestacÛ que el Ejecutivo Nacional tiene "poca autoridad" para hablar sobre golpismo en respuesta a los seÒalamientos del Jefe de Estado.

"Radio Caracas TelevisiÛn siempre ha estado identificada con la democracia, el pluralismo y el respeto a los dem·s, con personas que participaron en golpes de estado sangrientos e irresponsables no voy a entrar en una discusiÛn", afirmÛ.

El director general de RCTV llamÛ a los empleados de la planta televisiva estar tranquilos porque los ejecutivos del canal defender·n los derechos que poseen, "los vamos a ejercer en donde sea necesario, en los tribunales o frente a las autoridades nacionales, tambiÉn en el campo internacional".

GlobovisiÛn exhorta al gobierno a reflexionar

Por su parte, el director general de GlobovisiÛn, Alberto Federico Ravell, informÛ que la planta La Florida se solidariza con Radio Caracas TelevisiÛn (RCTV) ante el anuncio del Presidente de la Rep'blica, Hugo Ch·vez FrÌas, de revocar la concesiÛn al canal de B·rcenas.

Ravell exhortÛ al Ejecutivo Nacional a reflexionar sobre la decisiÛn tomada, "el Presidente debe reflexionar sobre ese tema, debe revisar bien los expedientes de Radio Caracas TelevisiÛn, debe poner en una balanza lo bueno y lo malo. Estamos seguros que lo bueno va a superar con creces lo malo".

Por otra parte, se mostrû preocupado por el escenario utilizado por el Jefe de Estado y el lenguaje empleado para expresar la decisiûn de suspender la concesiûn de Radio Caracas Televisiûn, la cual vence en marzo de 2007.

"Los medios tenemos que aprender a convivir con el Gobierno y el Gobierno tiene que aprender a ser tolerante con los medios. Yo creo que el Presidente de la Rep blica saldrla beneficiado si se informa a trav\(\text{E}\)s de los medios de comunicaci\(\text{U}\)n que no le son absolutamente sumisos de las cosas malas que pudieran pasar en su gobierno y que pudieran pasar en el pa\(\text{I}\)s".

Fuente: Globovision.com (via Jorge Garcla R., Venezuela, ibid.)

** VENEZUELA [non non]. Radio Nacional de Venezuela : importante adelanto --- AtenciÛn: menciona "la adquisiciÛn de los terrenos donde ser· edificar· el nuevo Centro de TransmisiÛn en Onda Corta, que garantizar· la emisiÛn del mensaje bolivariano en todo el Continente Americano."

Y "la fase final para la puesta en marcha de Radio Sur, servicio que espera integrar las emisoras estadales de los païses de AmÈrica Latina, con el fin de conformar un sÛlido bloque informativo que sirva de contrapesos a los circuitos informativos imperialistas que controlan el mercado de las comunicaciones."

leer la nota:

http://www.rnv.gov.ve/noticias/index.php? s=fd46bb4b86809546a45dd685f836bf6d&act=\Print&client=printer&f=22&t=42100 (via Horacio Nigro, Montevideo, Uruguay, Dec 28, condig list via DXLD) ** WESTERN SAHARA [non]. R. Nacional de Sahara, 6208, 2315-0002* Dec 21-22 and 22-23. Spanish talk, local music, ID. Sign-off with lite music, no NA. Slightly off nominal 6215. Punch up error or deliberate move from 6215 to get away from either ute traffic or Mystery Radio on 6220. Fair to good.

R. Nac de Sahara, 6210, 2145-2400* Dec 23. Was on 6208 Dec 22, now on 6210 with Arabic talk, local music, 2300-2400 Spanish. 2359 closing announcements and off. No NA. Good (Brian Alexander, Mechanicsburg PA, DX LISTENING DIGEST) Since returned to 7460 (gh)

RN de la Rep blica ; rabe Saharaui Democr·tica in Arabic on Dec. 28: 0700-0900 on new 7460.0, ex6210, re-ex6208, re-re ex7425 and etc. (R BULGARIA, Ivo Ivanov, via wwdxc BC-DX Dec 28 via DXLD)

7460, Radio Nacional Saharaui, 2300-2315, December 28, Arabic, local instrumental music. At 2310 UT talk by male in Arabic, 34433 Back to old QRG (ex 7425, ex 6215; ex 6208v) (Arnaldo Slaen, Argentina, HCDX via DXLD)

ARGELIA. 7460 is the best frequency by far for Radio Saharaui, heard back in Spanish this Friday 29 all along the 2300-2400 period and WWCR 7465 is not necessarily a problem until they sign-on at 0000. I had weak signal, except for one day, while they were on 6210. Of course, propagation is not helping that much (Ra'l Saavedra, Costa Rica, Dec 29, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

WWCR is currently on 7465 at 2100-2300 and 0000-0200, conveniently leaving a gap while RNASD is in Spanish instead of Arabic (gh, DXLD)

** ZIMBABWE [non]. R. Voice of the People, 11695 via Madagascar, *1700-1753* Dec 23, sign-on with multi-lingual IDs, programming in English and vernacular. Many IDs with mentions of frequency, address and e-mail address. Brief breaks of local music. 1749 closing multilingual IDs, followed by local music. Fair signal strength but English difficult to understand due to accents (Brian Alexander, Mechanicsburg PA, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNIDENTIFIED. 7425, NO ID, 1810-1825, idioma desconocido, escuchada el 29 de Diciembre a locutor con referencias a Turkemistan, cuòas. Locutor y locutora con noticias, SINPO 43443. Audio: http://valenciadx.multiply.com/music/item/311 (JosÉ Miguel Romero2, Spain, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

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THE DANISH SHORTWAVE CLUB INTERNATIONAL

Latest editions of Shortwave News and DX Window available for free download --- The Danish Shortwave Club International celebrated its 50th anniversary this year. As a present to all Internet users, we offer the latest issues of our publications "Shortwave News" and "DX Window" for free download.

http://dswci.org/news/0612/jubilee_present.html
(DSWCI via DXLD)

PROBLEMS WITH HOLDING THE WRTH OPEN

Re 6-191: Another suggestion --- One can make a page holder using tubular webbing (from a hardware store) partially filled with pennies. The tubular webbing is nylon, so the ends can be melted with a soldering iron or a match. No sewing required. Use webbing wide enough for the pennies and cut to about 12 inches in length. Cheap and easy (Jerry Lenamon, Waco TX, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

TOP SECRET TOURISM

Amazon is taking pre-orders for my next book, "Top Secret Tourism." You can get details by entering that title at Amazon. I've also started a blog to promote my book at http://topsecrettourism.com
Actual pub date looks like it will be February; I got the page proofs last week. I enjoy DXLD as always! 73, (Harry Helms, W5HLH, TX, Dec 28, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

DIGITAL BROADCASTING DRM: see GERMANY; JAPAN

(A WRATH NEWS SCOOP) Sunday, December 10, 2006 YOU CAN'T WIN THEM ALL

I promised you dear WRATH visitor that we would keep you informed re the status of our antitrust case against the iBOC cartel... Well, we lost the first round... In a decision dated Dec. 7th, the infamy date, the District Court found for the Defendants... However, after studying the lengthy (14 page) decision KCI's attorney and I have come to the opinion that the lower court decision will be reversed. Antitrust suits are considered to be the most complicated cases federal district courts handle and are often reversed on appeal. Our case is super complicated because of the complex technology. But, the 3 judge appeal panel will base its decision on basic legal concepts and will follow the law that requires prior to trial that all allegations we make are true and all allegations the iBOC defenders make are false: . . .

http://www.wrathofkahn.org/
see also previous issues (not necessarily in order, some updated):
http://www.wrathofkahn.org/wst_page5.html
(via Glenn Hauser, DXLD)

Uncle Harold reports Midland airwaves have the following frequencies covered or seriously hindered by IBOC as of 2030, 20-Dec; 540, 550, 710, 750, 770, 860, 880, 900, 920, 940, 1120, 1140, 1190 & 1210. A pox on 870 WKAR for blocking 880 KRVN (Harold Frodge, MI, MARE Tipsheet Dec 29 via DXLD)

RULING OPENS DOOR FOR HD RADIO BROADCASTING IN CANADA http://www.radioink.com/HeadlineEntry.asp?hid=136315&pt=todaysnews

The Canadian Radio-Television & Telecommunications Commission has announced a revision to its policy for digital radio broadcasting, opening the door to the HD Radio In-Channel, On-Band system. The CRTC commented that it would be prepared to authorize services using IBOC/HD Radio technology for the AM and/or FM bands, if the Canadian department of Industry authorizes services using the technology under the Radiocommunication Act. The commission added that "an expedited process would be adopted for stations that propose to transmit a digital simulcast of their analog service." Robert Struble, president and CEO, iBiquity Digital Corporation, said, "The Canadian Broadcasting Corporation began HD Radio testing in September 2006, focusing on transmissions from Toronto and Peterborough, Ontario. Full results have not yet been published by the CBC, but early feedback has been very positive." (via Kevin Redding, ABDX via DXLD)

This shows what a major flop Eureka 147 DAB has been on the L band here. I think the primary attraction would be to be able to claim "digital" and also cram in the extra stations on FM. I don't think you'll see IBOC on AM here, simply because nobody would want to be bothered.

And, no bank would finance anything to do with AM radio here in Canada. If you want to buy an AM station, tell your bank you want to take the transmitter site and turn it into building lots.

In the view of listeners here, AM radio is dead. FM is king, the sound quality on FM is fine for listeners. Call it digital and jam in even yet more stations and everyone, except DXers, will be happy.

Personally, I find FM to be a crowded mess of a band here, with heavy CBC overlap. "Static Free" was the biggest propaganda work in radio's history, as every time I pull into the Queens Parkaide, several FM stations are wiped by electrical interference. A 25 KW AMer 40 miles away on 1320 gets through.

Programming is good on the two Newcap stations, poor on the MBS stations, and the CBC is, well, the CBC both good and bad. The multistation sites, where everyone is sharing panel arrays, like here on the CBC tower in Churchill PEI, are just invitations for mess. A million and a half watts ERP of FM and TV all messing together, like some sort of macabre RF soup.

But then, 630 CFCY has been running carrier only for over a week, so who cares if the typical PEI off the CBC tower FM station shows up on more than one spot on the dial. Nasty rain, freezing rain, snow etc. and their signals go to pieces too.

The stand alone FM sites from the towns on the mainland don't have these problems. A tower all to themselves, with weatherproof radomes. Which shows that FM can be OK. It's just [that] it's cheaper to plug your transmitter into a CBC panel antenna. Pay \$60K to \$80K per year rent to Big Brother Broadcasting Corp. and hitch along on the messy ride (Phil Rafuse, PEI, ABDX via DXLD)

More on IBOC in Canada

According to

http://beradio.com/eyeoniboc/canada-allow-hd-radio/?cid=topstory122706 CBLA 99.1 Toronto was not the only CBC station to experiment with IBOC: an unspecified CBC station in Peterborough (maybe more than one) has also tried IBOC. The CBC has three stations in Peterborough: 98.7, 103.9, and 106.3 (Doug Smith, W9WI, Pleasant View (Nashville), TN EM66 http://www.w9wi.com WTFDA via DXLD)

Doug, CJBC 90.3 [Toronto] also has HD (though I've never heard it other than the 30 dB hash on 90.1/90.5). (Bill Hepburn, ON, ibid.)

On the excellent "Wohnort" DAB site, one of the latest news items relates the news that the German Broadcast organisations have decided how they will implement the latest Broadcast Band Shakeup (known as "GE-06"). http://www.wohnort.demon.co.uk/DAB/

If you look at the original German text for this decision:

http://www.bayerndigitalradio.de/download/bdr_pressemeldungen/pm_06121
9_ard.pdf

Here is a (rough - sorry - I am not a translator) translation of part of the text:

"2008 shall see the "Digitalisation" of Public Broadcasts on Terrestrial Television come to reality. Through this freeing up of spectrum, "new offerings" will become possible. This "Digital Dividend" will offer the [inhabitants of Germany] a notable improvement in the Wireless offerings of information available in Radio, Television and Media."

Nothing wrong with this - just sounds like "spin" to me. The heart of the document goes on to say that they intend to use UHF for digital TV and VHF Band III for DAB/DMB. So it seems that DAB is not dead in Germany, as some pundits have suggested, just not as "developed" as it is here. This reminds me of the way things happened with Cell-Phones. The UK was well ahead of Germany in the use of Analogue Cell-Phones until GSM came in. Then it mushroomed over there. I suspect that this will be the case again.

One of the most interesting sentences is:

"By the conversion to Digital of Radio it must not be forgotten that the consumer will always have the last word." Ofcom please take note (having got a translation of the document that is...) (Andrew Tett, Shoreham-by-Sea, UK, BDXC-UK via DXLD)

PROPAGATION ++++++

ZCZC AP54 QST de W1AW
Propagation Forecast Bulletin 54 ARLP054
From Tad Cook, K7RA Seattle, WA December 29, 2006
To all radio amateurs

More zero sunspot days are finishing out the month, which seems appropriate as we descend near the bottom of Solar Cycle 23. There were seven continuous spotless days from December 18-24, then three days of sunspot numbers 31, 25 and 23, and Thursday, December 28 was another zero sunspot day. Solar flux numbers, which are not a count of sunspots, but instead a reading of daily 2.8 GHz energy from the sun, still seem high for the bottom of the cycle. We should see extended periods with a daily solar flux around 67 toward the bottom of the sunspot cycle. Instead, this week the average solar flux was around 74. If we look back to the four bulletins published a decade ago in October 1996, we see average solar flux of 69.9, 68.6, 67.9, and 69.7.

This is the last bulletin of 2006. Next week we will have all the data to observe the average sunspot numbers for the year, and compare them with previous years. With just a few more days left in 2006, it looks like annual average daily sunspot numbers will be running nearly 23 points lower than 2005, which is down 46 percent, and the annual average of daily solar flux will be around 12 points, or 13 percent

lower.

For the last days of 2006 into New Year's Day we should see quiet conditions, and no geomagnetic storms or days with active conditions are expected until January 2-3, with a predicted planetary A index of 25. Geophysical Institute Prague predicts quiet conditions for December 29-31, quiet to unsettled January 1, active conditions January 2, unsettled to active January 3, and unsettled January 4. Solar flux is expected to rise daily through the week, with predicted values for December 29 through January 4 of 75, 80, 85, 90, 95, 100 and 100. Sunspot numbers should also rise over the next week (ARRL via John Norfolk, dxldyg via DXLD) ###